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Fixed for 12 months, 5 per Cent. per Annum.
" 6 " 4 " "
" 3 " 3 " "
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E. W. RUTTER,
Manager.

Hongkong, September 4, 1890. 1362

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....$8,168,062.50
RESERVE FUND.....$5,482,127.20
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Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.
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THOMAS JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, September 11, 1890. 363

NOTICE.

RULES OF THE HONGKONG SAVINGS' BANK.

1.—The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours on week-days, 10 to 3: Saturdays, 10 to 1.

2.—Sums less than $1, or more than $250 at one time will not be received. No depositor may deposit more than $2,500 in any one year.

3.—Depositors in the Savings' Bank having $100 or more at their credit may at their option transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per cent. per annum interest.

4.—Interest at the rate of 3½ per cent. per annum will be allowed to depositors on their daily balances.

5.—Each Depositor will be supplied gratis with a Pass-Book which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their Pass-Books but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and beginning of July.

6.—Correspondence as to the business of the Bank if marked *On Hongkong Savings' Bank Business* is forwarded free by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and China.

7.—Withdrawals may be made on demand, but the personal attendance of the depositor or his duly appointed agent, and the production of his Pass-Book are necessary.

For the
HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
THOMAS JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, May 13, 1890. 754

Intimations.

BANK HOLIDAY.

IN accordance with Ordinance No. 6 of 1875, the Undermentioned BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business on THURSDAY NEXT, the 1st January.

For the 'Chartered Mercantile Bank of India, London and China,'
C. F. ROWBAND,
Manager, Hongkong.

For the 'Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China,'
T. H. WHITEHEAD,
Manager, Hongkong.

For the 'Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation,'
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

For the 'New Oriental Bank Corporation, Limited,'
E. W. RUTTER,
Manager, Hongkong.

For the 'Comptoir National d'Escompte de Paris,'
L. GLENAT,
Acting Agent, Hongkong.

Hongkong, December 29, 1890. 2252

PEAK HOTEL AND TRADING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

BY a Resolution of the Board of Directors, the SHARES bearing the following Numbers have been declared FORFEITED, therefore are not Negotiable:—1219/1248, 552/631, 2037/2126, 2127/2156, 2157/2176, 542/551, 2506/2525, 2771/2800, 3496/3505, 3856/3885, 227/301, 2816/2825, 382/391, 1070/1080, 3141/3155, 3166/3190.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
J. WHEELEY,
Secretary.

Hongkong, December 29, 1890. 2257

THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the THIRD CALL of £10.12.6 Sterling per Share on the 20,000 Shares, NEW ISSUE, of this Corporation will fall due on the 31st December current in LONDON, CALCUTTA, BOMBAY, SHANGHAI and HONGKONG.

Registered Shareholders are requested to pay at the respective Offices the above Call or its equivalent in the above-mentioned places, sending at same time the Provisional Certificates to be endorsed.

The rate of Exchange for the THIRD CALL is fixed in Hongkong at 3/5 per $ or $62.40 per Share.

Interest at the rate of 8 per cent. per annum will be charged on overdue Calls.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, December 24, 1890. 2226

HONGKONG AND CHINA GAS COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Transfer BOOKS of this Company will be CLOSED from the 12th to the 31st Instant, both days inclusive.

F. W. CROSS,
Manager.

Hongkong, December 13, 1890. 2138

ROUYER, GUILLET & Cie., COGNAC, France.

For Ten Years
THE LARGEST SHIPPERS
of
BULK
BRANDY.

ALL COMMUNICATIONS DIRECT AS TO
LONDON BRANCH,
ROUYER, GUILLET & Co.,
59, Mark Lane, London, E.C.

14th August, 1890. 1443

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given, That an EXTRAORDINARY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of this Company will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL on SATURDAY, the 3rd day of January next, at Noon precisely, for the purpose of passing a Special Resolution that the Articles of Association of the Green Island Cement Company, Limited, be amended by adding at the end of Article 9 the words following:—

"Any Shares, in respect of which all the "Instalments shall not have been paid "on or before the Sixteenth day of "January, 1891, shall be forfeited, "and any Shares so forfeited shall be "deemed to be the absolute property "of the Company and may be reallotted "or otherwise disposed of as the General "Manager shall determine, and any "Member whose Shares shall have been "forfeited shall, notwithstanding such "forfeiture, be liable to pay to the "Company all Instalments due in respect of such Shares at the time of "forfeiture."

And by inserting the figures 250 in the place of the figures 2,000 in Articles 41 and 42.

And for the purpose of appointing a new General Manager or Managers.

C. EWENS.

Hongkong, December 19, 1890. 2190

BRITISH MERCANTILE MARINE OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION.

NOTICE TO MEMBERS.

A GENERAL MEETING will be held at 9 p.m. on SATURDAY, the 3rd January, 1891, when the President will review the work of the body during the year 1890.

ALL BRITISH MASTERS and OFFICERS are cordially INVITED to attend.

CHESNEY DONCAN,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, December 23, 1890. 2223

Business Notices.

NEW YEAR—1891!!

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

HAVE A LARGE SELECTION OF GOODS
SUITABLE FOR
NEW YEAR PRESENTS.

ELECTRO-PLATED WARE, FANCY GLASS and CHINA, LEATHER GOODS, LAMPS, SMOKER'S SUNDRIES, CABINETS, PHOTO FRAMES, TOYS, and a great variety of NOVELTIES.

Also the usual Assortment of
NEW YEAR DELICACIES,
Including:—PLUM PUDDINGS and CAKES, DESSERT FRUITS, YORK HAMS, STILTON and GORGMYOLA CHEESE, FIGS, PRESERVED FISH, PATES, VEGETABLES, TONGUES, &c., &c.

CONFECTIONERY.
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, December 29, 1890. 2250

NEW HATS.

CHRISTY'S AND HEATH'S BLACK, BROWN AND GREY FELT HATS.
DOUBLE AND SINGLE TERAI AND OTHER SOFT FELTS.
BEST ENGLISH-MADE STRAW HATS.
LADIES' FELT HELMETS, AND
CALCUTTA PITH HATS,
TWEED CAPS.
ROBERT LANG & Co.

Hongkong, July 28, 1890. 1324

W. POWELL & Co.

CHRISTMAS SHOW OF
TOYS
AND
SEASONABLE NOVELTIES.
W. POWELL & Co.

VICTORIA EXCHANGE, December 15, 1890. 2150

Victoria Hotel,

Praya and Queen's Road Central, Hongkong.

THIS Extensive and well-appointed Establishment, situated in one of the most central and airy positions in the Colony and commanding a splendid view of almost the entire harbour and within five minutes' walk of the principal Government Offices (including the Post Office), Banks, &c., has recently been much enlarged and improved and is now ONE of the principal HOTELS in the place.

The ROOMS are spacious, well ventilated and have just been refurnished in a most comfortable and handsome manner, suited to the requirements of the Far East.

The Accommodation and Service of every kind will be found to be of the best description.

An ample and varied TABLE D'HOTE is always provided and served in the spacious, large DINING HALL.

The HOTEL also contains handsome and comfortable Reception, READING, BILLIARD and SMOKING ROOMS.

The HOTEL is unsurpassed for comfort, convenience and quick service.

Continental languages are spoken.

Messrs. DORABJEE & HING KEE,
Proprietors.

Hongkong, September 16, 1885. 1612

Intimations.

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRAORDINARY General MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the CITY HALL, Hongkong, on THURSDAY the 8th day of January, 1891, at 12 o'clock noon, when the following Special Resolution will be submitted, viz:—

"That in pursuance of the Companies "(Memorandum of Association) Ordinance 1890 the provisions of the "Company's existing Memorandum of "Association with respect to the objects of the Company be altered by "eliminating from the 2nd and 3rd "lines of the 3rd Clause of the said "Memorandum of Association the "words 'in the Colony of Hongkong "and its Dependencies (but not elsewhere)' and by substituting therefor the words 'in any part of the "world.'"

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY the 5th to THURSDAY the 8th January, 1891, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary to the Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ld.

Hongkong, December 27, 1890. 2237

CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & Co.,
Wine and Spirit Merchants,
13, QUEEN'S ROAD.

CHAMPAGNES—Best Brands.
CLARETS—Choicest Vintages.
SHERRIES, PORTS, BURGUNDIES, HOCKS and WHITE WINES.
Specially Selected BRANDIES and GINS.
SCOTCH WHISKIES—BULLOCH, LADE & Co.'s.
IRISH and AMERICAN WHISKIES.
LIQUEURS and BITTERS.
Bottled ALES and STOUTS.
APOLLINARIS—ROSBACH and BELLTHAL MINERAL WATERS.

Hongkong, December 22, 1890. 2110

ROWLANDS'
KALYDOR cools and refreshes the face and hands of all exposed to the hot sun and dust, eradicates freckles, sunburn, tan, &c., and produces a beautiful and delicate complexion.
ODONTO whitens the teeth, prevents decay, and gives a pleasing fragrance to the breath.
MACASSAR OIL preserves and beautifies the hair, and can be also had in a golden colour. Sizes 3/6; 7/-; 10/6.
Ask Ghomlets for Rowlands' articles, of 20, Hatton Garden, London.

Wholesale and Retail Agents for China: A. S. WATSON & Co., Shanghai. 1216

Intimations.

THE PEAK HOTEL AND TRADING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given that the FINAL CALL of $10.00 (TEN DOLLARS) per SHARE in the above Company is hereby made, and is Payable at the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION on or before January 20th, 1891.

INTEREST at the Rate of 12 % per Annum will be charged on all Calls over-due.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
J. WHEELEY,
Secretary.

Hongkong, December 20, 1890. 2102

THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Undersigned is prepared to PURCHASE FRACTIONAL CERTIFICATES at Current Market Rates. Persons holding the same are requested to apply at the Company's OFFICE, No. 4, Praya Central.

EDWARD OSBORNE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, December 2, 1890. 2068

THE CHINA-BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

IT is hereby notified that the FIRST CALL of FIVE DOLLARS ($5) per SHARE on Shares in the above Company is Payable to the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION on or before MONDAY, the 19th January, 1891.

INTEREST at the Rate of 1 % per Annum will be charged on all Calls overdue.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, December 16, 1890. 2167

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

IN accordance with Section 120 of the Articles of Association, the General Agents, with approval of the Consulting Committee, will on the 1st JANUARY, 1891, Issue INTEREST WARRANTS of $5 per Share, Payable at the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, the same being at the Rate of 10 Per Cent. per Annum on the Paid-up Capital of the Office for the year 1890, and Notice is hereby given that in Order that the same may be adjusted, the Transfer BOOKS of the Office will be CLOSED from the 18th to the 31st Instant, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Agents,
CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

Hongkong, December 18, 1890. 2173

Intimations.

INSURANCE HOLIDAY.

THE Undermentioned INSURANCE OFFICES will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business on THURSDAY NEXT, the 1st January.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Agents,
Canton Insurance Office, Ltd.;
General Managers,
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.

N. J. EDE,
Secretary,
Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd.

W. H. PERCIVAL,
Agent,
North-China Insurance Co., Ltd.

W. H. RAY,
Secretary,
China Traders' Insurance Co., Ltd.

H. HARMS,
for the Liquidators,
Chinese Insurance Company, Ltd., (in Liquidation).

RUSSELL & Co.,
Agents,
Yangtsze Insurance Association, Ltd.

JAMES B. COUGHTRIE,
Secretary,
China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.

ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents,
Singapore Insurance Company, Ltd.

ROBERT BAIRD,
Agent,
The Straits Insurance Co., Ltd.;
The Straits Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, December 29, 1890. 2251

HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB.

A 'PICK UP' will be commenced at 11 a.m. on THURSDAY, the 1st January. MEMBERS wishing to play will please Sign their Names, either on the List lying on the table in the CLUB ANTE-ROOM or on the one in the CRICKET PAVILION, on or before 6 p.m. on *Wednesday*, the 31st Instant.

ARTHUR K. TRAVERS,
Honorary Secretary.

Hongkong, December 29, 1890. 2253

To Let.

TO LET.

With Immediate Possession.

NO. 17, PRAYA CENTRAL. A Spacious GODOWN—suitable for SHIPCHANDLER or STORE (lately occupied by Messrs. BLACKHEAD & Co.)

Also,

OFFICES—(above Messrs. DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.'s Premises).

Apply to
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY Co., LTD.

Hongkong, December 16, 1890. 2164

TO BE LET AT THE PEAK.

ON Reasonable Terms, 'CRAIGIEBURN,' containing DINING, DRAWING, RECEPTION ROOMS, OFFICES and 20 BEDROOMS, with TWO TENNIS COURTS.

Apply to THE SECRETARY,
Peak Hotel and Trading Co., Ltd.,
Hongkong.

Hongkong, December 11, 1890. 2114

TO LET.

With Immediate Possession.

THE MARINE HOTEL, Situate on the Praya, opposite to the old P. & O. Wharf, comprising 22 BEDROOMS, DINING-ROOM, BILLIARD-ROOM, BAR, &c.

Apply to
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY Co., LTD.

Hongkong, December 16, 1890. 2165

TO LET—FURNISHED.

Possession, 1st March, 1891.

NO. 1, QUEEN'S GARDENS. 7 ROOMS.
Apply to
S. LAMKE.

Hongkong, December 8, 1890. 2113

TO LET.

BLUE BUILDINGS.—
GROUND FLOOR of No. 2.
FIRST FLOOR of No. 3.
MAGAZINE GAP.—TWO SEMI-DETACHED HOUSES. Rent, $45 each.

Apply to
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY Co., LTD.

Hongkong, December 2, 1890. 2067

HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LTD.

TO LET.

THAT Suite of OFFICES on the FIRST FLOOR of the Company's Premises in ICE HOUSE LANE, at present occupied by Messrs. Holliday, Wise & Co., with *entrance from Queen's Road*. Possession from 1st March next.

Also,

ONE GODOWN on the GROUND FLOOR which can be let in connection with the above Office, or separately as desired.

For Full Particulars, apply to the MANAGER at the Depôt, or to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, January 27, 1890. 167

TO LET.

GODOWNS,
BLUE BUILDINGS.
Apply to
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY Co., LTD.

Hongkong, December 24, 1890. 2225

TO LET.

NOS. 4, 7, 9 & 11, SEYMOUR TERRACE.
No. 4, OLD BAILEY STREET.
ROOMS in COLLEGE CHAMBERS.
OFFICES and CHAMBERS in CONNAUGHT HOUSE, Queen's Road Central.
OFFICES in VICTORIA BUILDINGS.
'TUSCULUM,' MAGAZINE GAP.
No. 3, GOUGH HILL, The Peak—FURNISHED.

Apply to
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.

Hongkong, December 10, 1890. 93

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION
OF
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, PAINTINGS, ETC.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on

SATURDAY,

the 3rd January, 1891, commencing at 2.30 p.m., at the Residence of H. LIGHTWOOD Esq., Woodlands, Castle Road,—

(On account of giving up Housekeeping),

THE WHOLE OF HIS
ELEGANT FURNITURE, ETC., ETC.,
comprising:—

DRAWING-ROOM SUITE COVERED ON BLUE DAMASK, CHIPPENDALE MIRRORS, HANDSOME MANTLE DRAPERY, MARBLE TOP BLACKWOOD TABLES and CANTON BLACKWOOD CURIO STAND, HANDSOME GILT and MARBLE MANTLE CLOCKS, BRASS FENDERS, ETC., CARPETS, RUGS, CHENILLE CURTAINS, TAPESTRY and WHITE LACE CURTAINS, BRASS CURTAIN POLES.

VERY FINE OIL PAINTINGS, WATER COLORS, ENGRAVINGS and PICTURES.

A QUANTITY of ORNAMENTS in JAPANESE, CHINESE and VIENNA PORCELAIN, ETC. VERY FINE INLAID JAPANESE CABINET, SEMI-GRAND PIANO, ETC.

EXTENSION DINING TABLE, MOROCCO-COVERED DINING-ROOM SUITE, SIDEBOARD with PLATE GLASS BACK, DINNER WAGGONS.

DINNER and DESSERT SERVICES, ELECTRO-PLATED and GLASS-WARE, CUTLERY, ETC., ETC.

DOUBLE IRON and BRASS BEDSTEAD and PATENT WIRE MATTRESS, LADY'S WARDROBE with PLATE GLASS DOOR, MARBLE-TOP WASHSTAND and SET DRESSING TABLES, FANCY RATTAN CHAIRS and BEDROOM SUITE, BOOKCASE, ETC., ETC.

SEWING MACHINE, OILCLOTH for FLOOR and STAIRS, NEW ENGLISH COOKING RANGE, SHANGHAI BATH, ETC., ETC.

Also,

A QUANTITY of FLOWERS and PLANTS in POTS.

Catalogues will be issued previous to Sale and the above will be on view on *Friday*, the 2nd Proximo.

TERMS OF SALE.—As customary.

G. R. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, December 27, 1890. 2238

Shipping.

Steamers.

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SINGAPORE, SYDNEY, MELBOURNE AND ADELAIDE.

(Calling at JAVA PORTS, PORT DARWIN & QUEENSLAND PORTS, *and taking through Cargo to* NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.)

The Steamship
Airlie,
Captain ELLIS, will be despatched for the above Ports on FRIDAY, the 2nd January, 1891, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, December 27, 1890. 2232

NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA
(FLORIO & RUBATTINO UNITED COMPANIES.)

STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, PENANG & BOMBAY,
Having connection with Company's Mail Steamers to ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MESSINA, NAPLES, (LEGHORN), and GENOA; all MEDITERRANEAN, ADRIATIC, LEVANTINE and SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS, up to CALLAO. Taking Cargo at through rates to PERSIAN GULF and BAGDAD.

The Co.'s Steamship
Bormida,
C. GAVAZZO, Master, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 3rd January, 1891, at Noon.

At BOMBAY the Steamers are discharging in VICTORIA DOCK.

For further Particulars regarding Freight and Passage, apply to
CARLOWITZ & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, December 29, 1890. 2246

GLEN LINE OF STEAM PACKETS.

FOR LONDON *VIA* SUEZ CANAL.

The Steamship
Glenyle,
Captain GARSON, will be despatched as above on or about the 3rd January, 1891.

This Steamer has superior Accommodation for Passengers, and carries a Doctor and Stewardess.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, December 23, 1890. 2218

MOGUL LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

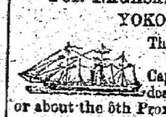
The Steamship
Lennox,
Capt. SWINNERTON, will be despatched as above on or about the 4th Proximo.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, December 29, 1890. 2248

SHIRE LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.



The Steamship
Denbighshire,
Captain GEORGE, will be despatched as above on or about the 5th Proximo.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, December 29, 1890. 2249

Shipping.

Steamers.

THE CHINA & MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA *VIA* AMOY.

The Co.'s Steamship
Diamante,
Capt. G. TAYLER, will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 31st Inst., at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, December 27, 1890. 2231

FOR SHANGHAI.

The Steamship
Lyeemoon,
Capt. G. HEUERMANN, will be despatched for the above Port on WEDNESDAY, the 31st Instant, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
SIEMSSEN & Co.

Hongkong, December 29, 1890. 2254

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

The Steamship
Japan,
Capt. J. E. HANSON, will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 31st Instant, at 5 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, December 27, 1890. 2239

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI.

The Co.'s Steamship
Fokien,
Captain DAVIS, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 1st Prox., at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, December 29, 1890. 2255

THE CHINA SHIPPERS' MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR LONDON.

The Co.'s Steamship
Oanfa,
W. S. THOMSON, Commander, will be despatched as above on or about the 1st Prox.

For Freight, apply to
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, December 15, 1890. 2146

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON *VIA* SUEZ CANAL.

The Co.'s Steamship
Bellerophon,
Capt. GUTHRIE, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 2nd January.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, December 29, 1890. 2244

MOGUL LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR NAGASAKI AND KOBE.

The Steamship
Mogul,
Captain JOHNSON, will be despatched as above on the 2nd January, 1891.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, December 29, 1890. 2247

STEAM TO STRAITS AND BOMBAY.

(Calling at COLOMBO *if sufficient inducement offers.)*

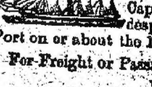
The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship
Venetia,
Captain T. F. CREERY, will leave for the above places on SATURDAY, the 3rd January, 1891, at Noon.

E. L. WOODIN,
Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office.
Hongkong, December 26, 1890. 2229

UNION LINE.

FOR NEW YORK *VIA* SUEZ CANAL.



The Steamship
Guy Mannering,
Captain FORD, will be despatched for the above Port on or about the 15th January, 1891.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, December 17, 1890. 2170

WINDSOR HOUSE, HONGKONG.

No. 8, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.
PRIVATE BOARD AND RESIDENCE, AND FAMILY HOTEL.

This ESTABLISHMENT is situated in a most central position, opposite the Telegraph Office and two doors from the Chartered Bank. It offers FIRST-CLASS ACCOMMODATION to RESIDENTS and TRAVELLERS, has a Spacious DINING ROOM, and a large number of well FURNISHED BED-ROOMS with all comforts. A Good Table kept.

TABLE D'HOTE:—Breakfast, 8.30 a.m.; Tiffin, 1 p.m.; Dinner, 7.30 p.m.

BOARD by the Month, Day, or Single Meals, *at reasonable rates*.

ARRANGEMENTS CAN BE MADE TO SERVE MEALS IN GENTLEMEN'S QUARTERS.

CONTINENTAL LANGUAGES SPOKEN.

MRS. ROHM,
Proprietress.

Hongkong, August 30, 1889. 1681

Notices to Consignees.

THE CHINA SHIPPERS MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM ANTWERP, LIVERPOOL AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship *Pingsuey*, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent in to the OFFICE of the Undersigned, before Noon on the 3rd Proximo, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 3rd Prox., at 4 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 3rd Prox. will be subject to rent.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 10 a.m. TO-DAY.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, December 29, 1890. 2245

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship *Japan* having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY'S Godowns, at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 2nd Proximo will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Consignees are also hereby informed, that all Claims must be made before the departure of the Steamer, otherwise they will not be entertained.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, December 27, 1890. 2230

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP *PREUSSEN*,
FROM BREMEN AND PORTS OF CALL.

THE above-named Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, LTD., Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

OPTIONAL CARGO will go on to Shanghai unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon TO-DAY, the 27th Instant.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 3rd January will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on FRIDAY, the 2nd January, at 4 p.m.

All Claims must reach us before the 3rd January, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, December 27, 1890. 2234

To-day's Advertisements.

THEATRE ROYAL,

CITY HALL.

TO-NIGHT,
TUESDAY, December 30th,
Under distinguished Patronage.
All the Press join in one Chorus of Praise.

IN consequence of numbers unable to gain admission on Saturday Night, there will be One More Performance of the Pantomime TO-NIGHT (TUESDAY), 30th.

The Pantomime visited by over 2,000 People in 4 Performances.

Our Special Features.—Roaring fun, delightful melody, exquisite harmony, melting pathos, dramatic ability, refined wit, enjoyable humour, delectable art, continuous merriment.

WEDNESDAY,
GRAND BILL.

THURSDAY,
Joint Benefit tendered to
Miss FANNY STANLEY and Miss AMY CHILDS.

FRIDAY,
Shakespeare's Sublime 5-Act Tragedy
'HAMLET, PRINCE OF DENMARK.'

SATURDAY,
GRAND DOUBLE BILL.

SEATS .....$2.00 and $1.00.
Box Plan at Messrs. KELLY & WALSH, LD.
Doors open 8.30. Overture at 9 o'clock.

T. EMPSON, *Manager.*

Hongkong, December 30, 1890. 2259

TO BE LET.

A FIVE-ROOMED HOUSE, No. 3, 'WILD DELL BUILDINGS,' Wanchai Road (opposite Battery).

No. 1 (corner House facing East) and No. 6 (corner House facing West), RICHMOND TERRACE:—The former with Conservatory and Tennis Lawn. Each House contains Six Good Rooms and is pleasantly situated.

Apply to

HENRY HUMPHREYS,
Secretary,
Humphrey's Estate and Finance Company, Limited.

Hongkong, December 30, 1890.

TO BE LET OR SOLD,
On favourable terms, with Immediate Possession.

EIGHT HOUSES at 'MOUNTAIN VIEW,' Peak District, near Pinkett's Gap.

If sold, part of the Purchase money can remain on Mortgage.

Apply to

JOHN A. JUPP,
Secretary,
The Austin Arms Hotel and Building Company, Ld.

Hongkong, October 4, 1890. 2262

To-day's Advertisements

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE S.S. *Kriemhild*, Captain EHLERS, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the HONGKONG, KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN CO., LTD., and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 5th January will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

SIEMSSEN & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, December 30, 1890. 2258

TO LET.

HOUSES at the PEAK and at 'BELILIOS TERRACE,'
GODOWNS in DUDDELL STREET.
ROOM and SHOP No. 6, 'BEACONSFIELD ARCADE,' Queen's Road.

Apply to

BELILIOS & Co.

Hongkong, December 30, 1890. 2261

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

FOR SINGAPORE, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

(Calling at JAVA PORTS and taking through Cargo for ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND & TASMANIA.)

The Co.'s Steamship
Miike Maru,
Capt. J. B. MACMILLAN,
will be despatched for the above Ports on the 6th of January, at Noon.

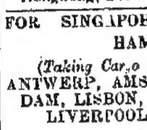
For Freight or Passage, apply to

GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, December 30, 1890. 2189

FOR SINGAPORE, HAVRE AND HAMBURG.

(Taking Cargo at through rates to ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, LISBON, PORTO, LONDON, LIVERPOOL and BREMEN.)



The Steamship
Iphigenia,
Captain L. VOLTMER, will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 7th January, 1891, at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SIEMSSEN & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, December 30, 1890. 2260

DAKIN BROS. OF CHINA,
LIMITED,
CHEMISTS, &c.

PURE WINES.

WE beg to invite careful attention to the following selection from our Wine List, for we have succeeded in combining purity and excellence of quality with moderate prices.

	per case	per bottle
SHERRY.		
VINO GENEROSO.—a generous round wine, *green seal*	$6.00	$0.60
VINO DE PASTO—a medium dry wine with delicate flavour, *red seal*	$10.00	$1.00
AMONTILLADO—a high class natural wine for connoisseurs of Sherry, *yellow seal*	$12.00	$1.10
DELICIOSO—the very finest sherry procurable, 6 years in bottle	$14.00	$1.25
PORT.		
Superior quality	$10.00	$1.00
Invalid Port, *gold seal*	$12.00	$1.10
Old Tawny, soft and mature, *black seal*	$14.00	$1.25
Specially selected old vintage	$20.00	$1.75
BURGUNDY.		
BEAUNE—a full-bodied Red Burgundy with strengthening properties	$14.00	$1.25
CHABLIS—a mellow White Burgundy, fine flavour and bouquet	$14.00	$1.25
CHAMPAGNE.		
AVIZE—a well matured, specially selected dry wine	$18.00	$1.75
LEMOINE—VIN-BRUT—CUVEE ROYALE As Supplied regularly to the Prince of Wales, House of Commons, and the chief clubs in London &c.	$22.00	$2.00
Per case of 24 pints	$23.00	$1.00

We are Sole Agents in China for the Sale of this splendid Wine.

TELEPHONE No 67.

Nos. 22 & 24, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL. 2116

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

December 29, 1890:—

Pakshan, British steamer, 835, J. Jenkins, Saigon December 25, Rice.—HOP HING HONG.

December 30:—

Meefoo, Chinese steamer, from Whampoa.

Kwongsang, British steamer, from Whampoa.

Djemnah, French steamer, 1,964, Bonnefoy, Shanghai December 27, Mails and General.—MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

Glengyle, British steamer, 2,244, Gasson, Kobe December 22, and Moji 25, Rice and General for London and Bremen.—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Tsinan, British steamer, 2,460, Allison, Foochow December 28, Tea.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Kriemhild, German steamer, 1,720, F. Ehlers, Hamburg and Singapore December 24, General.—SIEMSSEN & Co.

City of Rio de Janeiro, American steamer, 3,548, Wm. Ward, San Francisco Nov. 28, Honolulu December 8, and Yokohama 24, Mails and General.—P. M. S. S. Co.

Cosmopolit, German steamer, 551, J. Schall, Haiphong December 28, General.—WIELER & Co.

CLEARED.

Palmerus, for Shanghai.
Nanshan, for Swatow.
Tai Hongkong, for Bangkok.
Diamante, for Amoy and Manila.
Lycemoon, for Shanghai.
Tsinan, for Sydney.
Kambira, for New York.

Business Notices.

HONGKONG TRADING COMPANY, LD.

1890. FESTIVE SEASON. 1891.

TOYS. DOLLS. CRACKERS.

CHILDREN'S BOOKS.

FRENCH CONFECTIONERY.

AND

USEFUL FANCY GOODS
FOR PRESENTS.

HONGKONG TRADING COMPANY, LD.
37 & 39, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL. 2236

Vessels Advertised as Loading.

Destination.	*Vessels.*	*Agents.*	*Date of Leaving.*
Bremen & Ports of Call	Preussen (s)	Norddeutscher Lloyd.	Jan. 18, at 11 a.m.
London, v. Suez Canal	Bellerophon (s)	Butterfield & Swire	January 2.
London, v. Suez Canal	Glengyle (s)	Jardine Matheson & Co	About January 3.
London	Oanfa (s)	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	About January 1.
Manila, via Amoy	Diamante (s)	Russell & Co.	Dec. 31, at 4 p.m.
Marseilles, v. Saigon	Djemnah (s)	Messageries Maritimes	Jan. 1, at noon.
Nagasaki and Kobé	Mogul (s)	Adamson, Bell & Co.	January 2.
N'saki, Kobé & Y'hama	Denbighshire (s)	Adamson, Bell & Co.	About January 5.
NewYork, v. SuezCanal	Guy Mannering (s)	Russell & Co.	About January 15.
S. Francisco, v. Japan	City of Rio de Janeiro (s)	Pacific Mail S. S. Co.	Jan. 2, at 4 p.m.
S. Francisco, v. Japan	Gaelic (s)	O. & O. S. S. Co.	Jan. 10, at 1 p.m.
Shanghai	Lycemoon (s)	Siemssen & Co.	Dec. 31, at 4 p.m.
Shanghai, Kobé & Y'ma	Lennox (s)	Adamson, Bell & Co.	About January 4.
S'pore, P'nang & B'bay	Bermida (s)	Carlowitz & Co.	Jan. 3, at noon.
S'pore, Penang & C'tta	Japan (s)	D. Sassoon, Sons & Co.	Dec. 31, at 5 p.m.
S'pore, S'ney & M'ne	Miike Maru (s)	Geo. R. Stevens & Co.	Jan. 6, at noon.
S'pore, Havre & H'bur.	Iphigenia (s)	Siemssen & Co.	Jan. 7, at 3 p.m.
S'ney, M'bne & A'laide	Airlie (s)	Russell & Co.	Jan. 2, at 4 p.m.
Straits and Bombay	Venetia (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Jan. 3, at noon.
Swatow, Amoy & T'sui	Fokien (s)	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	Jan. 1, daylight.
Vancouver (B.C.), &c	Parthia (s)	Canadian Pacific S. Co.	Jan. 8, at noon.

SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS—DECEMBER 29, 1890

Stocks	*Nos. of Shares.*	*Value.*	*Paid-up.*	*Closing Quotations, Cash.*
BANKS.				
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Corp.	60,000	$ 125	all	$262 ½ prem., sales, sellers
New Issue		$ 125	$62.50	$270
MARINE INSURANCES.				
Canton Insurance Office Co., Ld.	10,000	$ 250	$ 50	$118
China Traders' Insurance Co., Ld.	24,000	$ 83.33	$ 25	$64
Chinese Insurance Co., Limited	1,500	$ 1,000	$ 200	nominal
North-China Insurance Co., Ld.	5,000	£ 200	£ 50	Tls. 300, sellers
Straits Insurance Co., Ld.	30,000	$ 100	$ 25	$20
Union Insurance Society Co., Ld.	10,000	$ 250	$ 25	$96, buyers
Yangtsze Insurance Association, Ld.	8,000	$ 100	all	Tls. 88½
FIRE INSURANCES.				
China Fire Insurance Co., Ld.	20,000	$ 100	$ 20	$87, sales
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ld.	8,000	$ 250	$ 50	$337½, buyers
Straits Fire Insurance Co., Ld.	20,000	$ 10	$ 2½	$18, buyers
FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCES.				
Singapore Insurance Company, Ld.	40,000	$ 1	$ 2	$9
DOCKS.				
H'kong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ld.	12,500	$ 125	all	86 % prem., buyers
STEAMBOATS.				
China and Manila S. S. Co., Ld.	3,500	$ 50	all	$131
Douglas Steamship Co., Limited	20,000	$ 50	all	$48
Hk. C. and M. Steamboat Co., Ld.	30,000	$ 20	all	$36½
Indo-China S. N. Company, Limit.	60,000	£ 10	all	25 % dis.
Steam Launch Company, Limited	2,000	$ 50	$ 30	par, buyers
REFINERIES.				
China Sugar Company, Limited	15,000	$ 100	all	$172
Luzon Sugar Company, Limited	7,500	$ 100	all	$98, nominal
WHARVES.				
HK. & Kow. Wharf & Godown Co.	20,000	$ 50	all	$82
LAND AND BUILDING.				
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company, Limited	50,000	$ 100	$ 50	$91, sales
Kowloon Land and Building Company	6,000	$ 50	$ 30	$18, sellers
Peak Building Company	.....	$ 8	$ 7	$10
Richmond Terrace Building Co.	1,000	$ 100	all	$200
Shanghai Land Company	.....	Tls. 20	Tls. 24	
West Point Building Co., Limited	12,500	$ 50	$ 40	$32
Trust and Loan Co. of China &c., Ld.	92,875 *1,250	£ 10 £ 1	£ 1.15 £ 1	$18, buyers £160
TRAMWAYS.				
HK. High-Level Tramways Co., Ltd.	1,200	$ 100	all	$115
MINING.				
Jelebu Mining & Trading Co., Ld.	4,500	$ 5	all	$2
Punjom & Sungei Ujong Siamese Mining Co.	60,000	$ 10	all	$2, buyers
Selama Tin Mining Company, Limited	115000 25,000	$ 5 $ 5	$ 2 $ 5	$1½ $2½
Société Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin	8,000	Fcs. 500	Fcs. 500	$500, buyers
The Balmoral Gold Mining Co., Ld.	15,000	$ 10	all	$11, buyers
Imuris Mines, Limited	17500	£ 1	£ 1	$15, sales
PLANTING, ETC.				
China-Borneo Company, Limited	7,500	$ 100	$ 50	$10
East Borneo Planting Co., Limited	4,000	$ 50	$ 50	$10
Labuk Planting Company, Limited	5,000	$ 50	$ 35	$30
Songei Koyah Planting Co., Ltd.	5,000	$ 5	$ 40	$8
H. G. Brown & Co., Limited	6,000	$ 50	all	$61
The Lamag Planting Co., Limited	6,000	$ 50	$ 35	$3
HOTELS, ETC.				
Austin Arms Hotel and Building Company, Limited	4,000	$ 50	$ 40	$12, sales
Hongkong Hotel Company, Ltd. 3,000 new issue	3,000	$ 100	all	$160
Peak Hotel & Trading Co., Limited	4,000	$ 5	$ 35	$20
Borneo Hotel and Stores Co., Ld.	1,000	$ 50	$ 3	$32
Shameen Hotel & Land Co., Ld.	5,000	$ 20	$ 10	$8, nom.
DISPENSARIES.				
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	50,000	$	all	$22, buyers
Cruickshank & Co., Limited	1,600	$	all	$40, nom.
LIGHTING.				
HK. and China Gas Co., Limited	5,000	£ 10	all	$13, sellers
New Shares	1,500	£ 10	£ 7.15	
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	30,000	$ 10	$ 8	$7½, sellers
BRICK AND CEMENT.				
Green Island Cement Co., Ld.	20,000	$ 5	all	$21
Hongkong Brick & Cement Co., Ld.	4,000	$ 25	$17.50	$10, nom.
MISCELLANEOUS.				
A. G. Gordon & Co., Limited	6,000	$ 25	$ 20	$20
Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited	1,200	$ 10	all	$11
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited	6,000	$ 25	$ 20	$21
Hongkong Bakery Company, Ltd.	600	$ 50	all	$30, nominal
Hongkong Dairy Farm Co.	3,000	$ 10	all	$12, nom.
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	$ 25	all	$22
H'kong Rope Manufactory Co., Ld.	3,000	$ 50	all	$135
Marinburk Furniture Co., Ld.	3,000	$ 25	$ 6	nominal

* Founder's shares

LOANS.	*Amount.*	*Value.*	*Interest.*	*Quotation.*
Chinese 6 per cents. 1884	$1,594,700.11	$500	3 ½ p. annum	5 ½ prem., nominal.
" 1886	Tls. 767,200	Tls. 250	7 " "	14 ½ prem. "
DEBENTURES.				
Hongkong Hotel Mortgage Debentures, 1889	$ 400,000.00	$50	6 " prem.	$501

DEPARTURES.

December 30:—

Sea Witch, for New York.
Nanchang, for Shanghai.
Tailee, for Amoy.
Formosa, for Swatow.
Lochiel, for Yokohama.
Freja, for Hoihow.
Antonio, for Nagasaki.
Ardgay for Singapore.
Choysang, for Swatow and Shanghai.
Voltumo, Italian cruiser, for Shanghai.
Anchises, for Shanghai.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per *Djemnah*, for Hongkong: from Shanghai, Dr Jamieson, Mrs Wrightson, Mrs Tu Ho Tsun, Mr Tong Fang Shang, Mr Scott Rogers, Mr Clifford, Rev. Boutier, Mr Hugh Asthor, Mrs Lorice, Mr and Mrs Cuners, 6 servants and amah, and 4 Chinese; from Yokohama, Lieut.-Colonel Mauduit; from Kobe, Mr Nishi Kawa. From Shanghai: for Singapore, Mr Watson. Mr and Mrs Hamomo'o; for Colombo, Mr Vetand; for Marseilles, Mr Linday Hayllar, Mr and Mrs Villard, 2 infants and amah, Mr Pilkington, and Mrs Crary. From Yokohama: for Saigon, Messrs de Maulne and Raval; for Marseilles, Messrs Vantier, de Maulne, Mrs Pradin and infant, Mr Matsuoka; and Mr B. dout's servant. From Kobe: for Marseilles, Mr Goldman.

Per *Pakshan*, from Saigon, Mr Charles G. Jones, and 17 Chinese.

Per *Tsinan*, from Foochow, Mr Grant.

Per *Kriemhild*, from Hamburg, &c., Mr Dethleffsen, and 235 Chinese.

Per *City of Rio de Janeiro*, from San Francisco, Mrs M. L. Cheek, 2 infants and servant, Mrs O. Margrave, Mr R. L. Morant, Captain J. B. MacMullen, Mr W. Baldwin, Mr and Mrs T. S. Baldwin, Mr W. G. Conely, Mr Wong Get Hing, and 402 Chinese.

Per *Cosmopolit*, from Haiphong, 10 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per *Tai Lee*, for Amoy, 100 Chinese.

TO DEPART.

Per *Diamante*, for Amoy, 4 Europeans, and 100 Chinese.

Per *Lycemoon*, for Shanghai, 16 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Pakshan* reports: Had strong N.E. breeze to Padaran; from there to port, fine clear weather, with light variable winds.

The British steamer *Glengyle* reports: Had strong wind between Lammocks and Hongkong.

The British steamer *Tsinan* reports: Had foggy and cloudy weather.

The American steamer *City of Rio de Janeiro* reports: From San Francisco November 29th, via Honolulu December 8th, and Yokohama 24th; arrived at Hongkong December 30th, at 12.46 p.m. Passage from San Francisco 30 days, 5 hours, 13 minutes; via Yokohama 6 days, 6 hours, 32 minutes. From Yokohama to Turnabout, had strong to moderate Southerly winds with head sea; thence moderate N.E. monsoon.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:—

For SYDNEY & MELBOURNE.—
Per *Tsinan*, at 8.30 a.m., on Wednesday, the 31st inst.

For PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, &c., &c.—
Per *Changsha*, at 2.30 p.m., on Wednesday, the 31st inst.

For AMOY & MANILA.—
Per *Diamante*, at 3.30 p.m., on Wednesday, the 31st inst.

For SHANGHAI.—
Per *Lycemoon*, at 3.30 p.m., on Wednesday, the 31st inst.

For COOKTOWN, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE.—
Per *Sikh*, at 4.30 p.m., on Wednesday, the 31st inst.

For STRAITS & CALCUTTA.—
Per *Japan*, at 4.30 p.m., on Wednesday, the 31st inst.

For SWATOW, AMOY & TAMSUI.—
Per *Fokien*, at 5 p.m., on Wednesday, the 31st inst.

For SINGAPORE, JAVA, PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE.—
Per *Airlie*, at 3.30 p.m., on Friday, the 2nd January.

For STRAITS & BOMBAY.—
Per *Venetia*, at 11.30 a.m., on Saturday, the 3rd January.

For STRAITS & BOMBAY.—
Per *Bermida*, at 11.30 a.m., on Saturday, the 3rd January.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.—

The French Contract Packet *Djemnah* will be despatched on THURSDAY, the 1st January, with Mails for the United Kingdom, Europe, and places beyond, *viâ Marseilles*; to Saigon, Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon, the Australasian Colonies, Pondicherry, Madras, Calcutta, Aden, Mauritius, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.

The usual hours will be observed in closing the Mails, &c.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.—

The United States Mail Packet *City of Rio de Janeiro* will be despatched on FRIDAY, the 2nd January, with Mails for Japan, San Francisco, the United States, Canada, Honolulu, Peru, &c., which will be closed as follows:—

3.15 P.M. Registry ceases.
3.30 P.M. Post-Office closes, but Correspondence may be posted on board the Packet, *with Late Fee of 10 cents extra Postage*, until the time of departure.

MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET.—

The British Contract Packet *Sutley* will be despatched on THURSDAY, the 8th January, with Mails for the United Kingdom, Europe, and countries beyond, *viâ Brindisi*; to the Straits Settlements, Netherlands India, Burmah, Ceylon, Aden, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.

The usual hours will be observed in closing the Mails, &c.

HOURS OF CLOSING THE
ENGLISH AND FRENCH MAILS.
When the Packets leave at Noon.

The following hours will be observed in closing the Mails for Europe, &c.; by the English and French Packets, when they leave at Noon. The Money Order Office will be closed at 5 the day before.

8.00 A.M.—Posting of Prices Current and Circulars ceases.
(Prices Current and Circulars may however be posted up to 10 o'clock if they are tied in bundles, country by country, with the addresses all one way).
10.00 A.M.—Registry ceases.
10.30 A.M.—Posting of Newspapers, Books, and Patterns ceases.
11.00 A.M.—Mail closes.

☞ LATE LETTERS may be posted (from 11.10 A.M.) *with 10 cents late fee* up to 11.30 A.M., after which hour they may be sent on Board with the same Late Fee.

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Parcels for the Peak may be posted in the General Post Office only up to 11.30 a.m. or 3.30 p.m. Local Rates will be charged. No Sunday delivery. Senders are requested to Cancel their Stamps by writing the word *Stamped* across them.

Covers containing Bank Notes, &c., should be registered.

Letters Parcels, &c. *for* Kowloon Point and steamers in Harbour may be posted in the General Post Office up to 11.30 a.m. and 3.30 p.m.

Letters *from* Kowloon Point may be posted in the Letter Box which has been placed in the Police Station Compound up to 12 and 4 o'clock.

Local rates will be charged.

To avoid robbery, senders of letters from Kowloon are requested to cancel their stamps by writing the word *stamped* across them.

Covers containing Bank Notes, Jewellery &c. should be registered.

There will be no Sunday delivery.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping.

4 p.m.—*Lycemoon* leaves for Shanghai.
4 p.m.—*Diamante* leaves for Manila.
5 p.m.—*Japan* leaves for Singapore, Penang and Calcutta.

Amusements.

9 p.m.—Performance at the City Hall.

General Memoranda.

THURSDAY, (New Year's Day), 1891:—
Local Banks close.
Insurance Offices close.
9 p.m.—Performance at the City Hall.

FRIDAY, January 2:—
Goods per *Japan* undelivered after this date subject to rent.
9 p.m.—Performance at the City Hall.

SATURDAY, January 3:—
11 a.m.—Cricket Match.
Noon.—Extraordinary Meeting of The Green Island Cement Co., Ltd., at Hongkong Hotel.
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture, &c., at the Residence of Mr H. Lightwood, Woodlands, Castle Road.
Goods per *Preussen* undelivered after this date subject to rent.
Goods per *Pingsuey* undelivered after this date subject to rent.
9 p.m.—Meeting of British Mercantile Marine Officers' Association.

MONDAY, January 5:—
Goods per *Kriemhild* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

THURSDAY, January 8:—
Noon.—Meeting of Shareholders of The Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd., at the City Hall.

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The China Mail.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1890.

TELEGRAMS.

[SUPPLIED TO THE 'CHINA MAIL.']

(Via Southern Line.)

STRIKE IN SCOTLAND.

LONDON, Dec. 28.

The Railway employees in Scotland have struck, an immense block has occurred in the passenger and goods traffic. Towns are suffering from scarcity of coal and food. Mines stopping for want of waggons, and factories closing.

(From Singapore Papers.)

EGYPT.

London, Dec. 22.—The Egyptian Budget shows a surplus of half a million.

EAST AFRICA.

Major Wissmann has recalled Emin Pasha in consequence of his disobeying orders.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

PASSED SUEZ CANAL.

OUTWARD BOUND:—*Wordsworth, Mascotte*, Nov. 25; *Bushmills*, Dec. 5; *Teomed*, 9; *Alderley, Strathaven*, 12; *Lydia, Priam*, 16; *Ningchow, Branfoot, Athens*, 19; *Agamemnon, Benledi, Gleneagles, Iraouaddy*, 23.

HOMEWARD BOUND:—*Glenfruin, Thorndale*, Dec. 5; *Antenor, Dardanus*, 9; *Aglaia*, 12; *Chingwo, Menelaus, Altonwer*, 16; *Braunschweig*, 19; *Benvenue, Oceana, Cardiganshire*, 23.

The O. and O. Co.'s s. s. *Gaelic*, with the AMERICAN MAIL of the 6th December, left Yokohama on Friday, December 26th, at 5 p.m., and may be expected here on or about Thursday, 1st Jan.

The M. M. Co.'s s. s. *Saghalien*, with the French mail of Nov. 28, left Saigon on Tuesday, December 30th, at 2 a.m., and may be expected here on or about Friday, January 2nd. This packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on Oct. 23.

The Canadian Pacific s. s. *Batavia* left Vancouver for Yokohama on the 24th Dec.

The Mogul Line s. s. *Lennox* left Singapore on the 27th inst., and may be expected here on or about Jan. 3.

The P. and O. Co.'s steamship *Thibet* left Singapore on 28th December, at 1 p.m., and may be expected here on or about the 4th Jan.

The Shire Line s. s. *Denbighshire* left Singapore on the 28th Dec., and may be expected here on or about the 4th Jan.

HIS Excellency the Governor and Lady Des Vœux will receive visitors between the hours of four and six p.m. on Thursday, January 1st, 1891, at Government House.

THE Agent of the Canadian Pacific Steamship Co. informs us that the s. s. *Batavia* left Vancouver for Yokohama on Wednesday afternoon, 24th inst.

CHAN Ping, a servant [unemployed] was brought before Mr Wodehouse in the Police Court to-day, charged with entering the *China Mail* Office last night and stealing two jackets belonging to Chinese employees. He admitted the charge and was sentenced to four months' hard labour.

WE have received from Messrs Kelly and Walsh the Nautical Pocket Manual for 1891, which contains information regarding Shanghai tide tables, Customs signals, Woosung Bar signals, lights on the coast of China, buoys, beacons &c., and a mass of other details of great value to mariners in Far Eastern waters.

THE Baldwin Brothers, the renowned aeronauts, arrived to-day by the American mail, after a very successful tour in Japan, and intend to give two or three performances at the Happy Valley. The feats which they perform are of the most daring character, putting in the shade anything we have hitherto seen in that line. Among the items in the programme is a leap from a tower 80 or 100 feet high, without the aid of a parachute or any support whatever.

THE first annual meeting of an institution which seems to be doing a considerable amount of good in the Colony was held in the City Hall yesterday. The institution is called the Hongkong Benevolent Society. It was formed in September last year for the purpose of giving assistance, where needful, in cases of sickness and distress, among residents who do not belong to the Chinese or Portuguese communities. The Society has given relief in several instances by contributing towards the expense of treatment in Hospital, by paying rent or schooling, by helping poor residents to return to England, and by enabling some who were in distress to tide over their difficulties. The President of the Society is Mrs W. H. Forbes, and she is assisted by Mrs Harman (Vice President), Mrs Mackintosh (Hon. Treasurer), Mrs Noble (Hon. Secretary) and a committee, while most of the ladies in the Colony co-operate in the good work. At the meeting held yesterday, Mr Thomas Jackson, who presided, explained the scope of the Society's work and its manner of operation. Hon. J. J. Keswick and Mr Granville Sharp both spoke in terms of praise of the useful work that was being done and of the large sphere there was for the labours of the Society. On the motion of Mrs Forbes, seconded by Mrs Hirst, the report and accounts for the past year were adopted, and the committee were re-elected by ballot. Votes of thanks were passed to the committee and the Chairman, and the proceedings terminated.

SIGNOR Majeroni made his third appearance before a Hongkong audience at the Theatre Royal last night, when he took the leading part in the late Dion Boucicault's well-known drama, 'The Corsican Brothers.' A thing so weird and gloomy, sandwiched between two performances of a gay and giddy pantomime, strikes one as being slightly incongruous and unattractive. Besides, this is a season when one has no special desire to have one's young blood frozen by witnessing ghastly duels and deeds of vengeance. However, there was a good audience, a fact which, taking one consideration with another, simply meant that Signor Majeroni had shown himself on his two previous appearances to be an actor of rare powers and that people wanted to see him again. The double role of the Del Franchi brothers is not one which suits Signor Majeroni in all respects. It is not one in which he is seen at his best, but it affords opportunities for showing dramatic talent of a very high order, and it was when these opportunities occurred that Signor Majeroni took full possession of his audience. The deathlike silence in every part of the house throughout the whole of the trying third act spoke more eloquently of the powerful impression made by the actor than did even the enthusiastic burst of applause at the fall of the curtain. The support given by Mr Stanley's Company could hardly be expected to be adequate in all respects, the work not being quite in their line, but it served to carry the piece along smoothly enough. Mr Fletcher, as *Chateau Reynaud*, acquitted himself with credit, and Mr Pyne gave a satisfactory account of the part of *Alfred de Meynard*. Miss D. Childs, as *Madame Dei Franchi*, and Miss F. Stanley, as *Madame Lesparre*, were somewhat out of their element, but accomplished fairly well the little they had to do. To-night the Pantomime will be performed.

The Agent of the M. M. Co. informs us that the s. s. *Saghalien*, with Mails &c., left Saigon for this port to-day (Tuesday), at 2 a.m.

The Legislative Council meets on Monday, 5th January, 1891, at 3 p.m. The following are the Orders of the Day:—

1. Financial Minutes.
2. Committee on the Bill entitled An Ordinance for the Naturalization of Lai Siu Tong.
3. Committee on the Bill entitled An Ordinance for the Naturalization of Choi Wai otherwise Choi Tsun.
4. Committee on the Bill entitled The Gambling Ordinance, 1890.
5. Committee on the Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Law relating to Bankruptcy.

Digestion is often rather sluggish at this season of the year. We are glad, however, to find that our morning contemporary has been able, in the course of a fortnight, to digest and assimilate the ideas set forth with regard to the Happy Valley improvements in a letter signed 'Another Jockey,' which appeared in our issue of the 12th inst. Our correspondent then wrote:—

'The Race Course is all right as it is; it is very little time since it was raised, and then the riding community were deprived of the use of the course for *a long time*—(nearly a year). If it is touched again the result will probably be the same, and as it is the only place in the Colony that is fit for riding on, it will be a great privation if it is again "shut up for repairs."

'The Hon. C. P. Chater is reported to have said in Council that the first heavy rain would swamp the course. At the present moment the riding community wish it would come and do so, as it is badly in want of water. If however this is really a danger, could not the present canal be cleared out a bit to prevent any damage, though it seems strange that when the Course was some 3 feet lower at the Bowrington End, heavy rain-storms did not always damage the Course. We cannot reasonably expect a deluge like the one of May 1889; and if we are unfortunate enough to be visited by another such, the Race Course will not be the only place to suffer.

'If the danger hinted at is brought about in any way by the filling up of the Pond, it would be interesting to know, if this result was clearly understood when the work was decided on?'

Yesterday the *Daily Press* managed to evolve from its inner consciousness the following:—

'If this expenditure on drainage is necessary, is it because the Pond has been filled in? If so we have a fine illustration of how things are worked by the Government. In the first place a vote is asked for to fill in the pond, a quite unnecessary work in itself. Nothing is said at the time as to its necessitating an alteration of the drainage, but when the vote has been secured and the work has been almost completed, further large funds are demanded for drainage purposes.

But even with the pond filled in we think the drainage of the ground might be made efficient without going to the expense of diverting the canal and the stream which runs along one side of the Valley. The Hon. C. P. Chater, in the discussion in Finance Committee, remarked that at present the Jockey Club has to take a great deal of trouble to prevent *débris* being washed on to the course. It is, however, only in exceptionally heavy rainstorms such as that of May, 1889, that inconvenience is experienced from this cause, and probably no one now living will see such a storm as that again. The risk of *débris* being washed on to the course is so remote, the inconvenience when it does occur so comparatively trifling, that it cannot be looked upon as in any degree justifying the expenditure it is proposed to incur.'

The Penang *Gazette* understands there is a prospect of the North German Lloyd's Company's steamers calling there shortly.

The Foochow native paper states that the tea trade in Formosa this year has been very brisk, and that the Douglas Company had three steamers carrying the tea.

The Nippon Yusen Kaisha are extending the sphere of their operations and have arranged to run the *Tsuruga Maru* between Japan and Manila *via* Amoy.

Captain Edwardes, of the Northamptonshire Regiment, while out riding in Singapore, was thrown from his horse and picked up on the road side in an insensible condition. It was found that his skull had been severely injured. He was not in danger when the last mail left.

Of late the abduction of children seems to have been of frequent occurrence in Yangchow. The cause is attributed to many of famine-stricken people coming down from the north to the city. There must be evil-disposed ones among them who take the opportunity to steal children and carry them in the course of their wanderings. It will be well for the city authorities to keep a sharp watch on them.

Between Hankow and Wuchang the river is often very stormy and boisterous. Whenever any heavy gale is sweeping over the water this crossing becomes unnavigable, sometimes for days. Very frequently boats have been upset through the swift running of currents in mid-stream. It is now reported that H.E. Chang Chih-tung, Governor-General of Liang Hu, proposes to purchase steamboats to do the ferrying, and has instructed certain deputies to furnish him with maps and plans of steam ferry-boats.

We (*N.-C. Daily News*) hear from Peking that Mr William Nelthorpe Beauclerk, M.A. and LL.D. of Trinity College, Cambridge, has been appointed Secretary of the British Legation at Peking, where he is expected to arrive in the spring. Mr Beauclerk was nominated an attaché in October, 1873, and has since served at Copenhagen, Athens, Berne, St. Petersburg, Rome, Washington and Berlin, where, as also at Berne, he has acted as *chargé d'affaires*. He is a J. P. and Deputy Lieutenant for the county of Lincoln.

Though the Kaiping Mines are close to Tientsin and the price for inferior kinds of coal is very low, yet natives seldom employ it as fuel, but continue to use wood, *i.e.*, branches and dead leaves. Since the inundation set in wood has so risen in price that people have begun to take coal. They grind the coal to powder and make cakes of it, which suit the brick or mud stoves very well. Besides the Kaiping coal there are also in the market coals from Linsi, a shaft newly opened some distance from Kaiping.—*Hupao.*

Though the Imperial Palace Gardens are getting to be very cold, His Imperial Chinese Majesty still stays in them to transact the affairs of state and look over memorials and official documents till night is far advanced. Lately he was slightly indisposed, and on the 28th of the 10th moon the Imperial doctor on duty was commanded to enter and give attendance.—*Sun Pao.*

The *Foochow Echo* says:—It is rumoured that a few wealthy natives intend to purchase machinery for preparing tea, and set up an establishment for that purpose in Kien-ning-foo. No charges, we understand, will be made to owners of tea for the first year, and thereafter, the charge will be far less than the cost of manual labour. The idea is undoubtedly an excellent one, as many tea growers cannot purchase such expensive machinery, and no doubt will be only too glad to avail of an opportunity to have their teas manufactured in a better way than at present; especially if the cost would be, as is said, far less than hand labour. We sincerely hope that the promoters will carry the above plan through, when, we doubt not, many others will follow suit.

We find the following in an American journal with 'The Romance of an Oriental Student and a susceptible Young Woman' as a sub-heading:—'The announcement that Miss Mary Elkinton of this city is to become the bride of a native of Japan at an early date and return with him to the Orient will be, doubtless, the cause of more than a ripple of interest in social circles. Miss Elkinton is a member of one of the oldest and most highly esteemed Philadelphia families. She is a daughter of Joseph S. Elkinton, a prominent member of the Society of Friends. The young Japanese who won her heart and the pledge of her hand is a man high in rank. His family are among the most distinguished and wealthiest in Japan, and he occupies a leading position in the affairs of the Government. For six years he has been travelling through America and Europe, studying to fit himself to occupy an important Government position, and he will return next month with his bride to fill the part which has been assigned to him. A similarity of tastes drew the young pair together, and the admiration Miss Elkinton first cherished for his accomplishments soon developed into a deeper feeling, and when the young man sailed for Europe shortly afterward it is understood that she had pledged him her love. He is now back to claim her as the bride of Inazo Mitobe of Sapporo, in Japan. In personal appearance Inazo reveals all the characteristics of a student. He is of medium stature, slight in figure, with sharply defined, delicate features and a persuasive expression. In his manner, conversation and general address he appears as a man of delicate sensibilities, refined tastes and cultivated intellect. Inazo has already adopted the faith of the Friends and the marriage will be solemnized according to their usages.'

The Commercial aspect of representative Government, says the *Kobe Herald*, appears to have been very readily grasped by the Japanese gentlemen who are privileged to write M. P. after their names. In most countries the possession of a seat in Parliament entails no little expense on the candidate—in some, notably in France, each vote has to be bought at a certain tariff and he is generally successful who has the longest purse. But in Japan there would seem to be very material advantages connected with a seat in Parliament—beyond the actual salary which is paid to representatives of the people. Every member of the Lower House, we hear, is entitled to procure admission for one friend daily, which means that three hundred visitors may be admitted by members alone. Admission is by ticket and without it one cannot even enter the enclosure in which the House stands. As Parliament is the newest thing in Japan, the people are consumed with curiosity about it. Tickets therefore are at a premium—in fact they are more valuable than they would be if the House of Commons were a theatre. It occurred to the astute Japanese legislator that not only was his position one of high honour, but that he might materially add to the income of eight hundred yen per annum, which a grateful country gives him for his services, if, instead of giving his daily ticket away, he should exchange it for current coin of the realm. This does not sound very dignified, but it is essentially business-like. After this we shall probably hear that some members have contracted with a waste paper dealer to purchase their share of the bluebooks which we presume will be issued.

Russia in Asia.—The *Nippon jin* discusses in recent issues the position of Russia in Asia, especially in her relation to Japan. To some of the views expressed by our contemporary, we must be allowed to take exception, but we confess, at the same time, that the articles before us show more than ordinary research and command of facts. The Tokyo periodical thinks that many of its countrymen over-rate the effective strength of Russia as an Asiatic Power. To disprove this erroneous notion is the task which the *Nippon* sets itself in the present essay. There are, says our contemporary, three things which, of all others, excite feelings of alarm and terror in the minds of the Japanese, namely the mighty and well-disciplined army of the Czar, the construction of the Siberian railway, and the colonization of Saghalien. As to the fighting capacity of Russia in Asia, Japan need not, we are told, be afraid of the great Northern Power, because, in addition to Russia's financial embarrassment, her position in Europe and the south and west of Asia is such that she could not spare troops to operate effectively against any country in the Far East. The *Nippon jin* writes at great length, elucidating these points with copious references to statistics and historical facts, but we cannot follow it into such minutiæ. As to the Siberian railway, our contemporary observes that its completion will go a great way towards developing the natural resources of the regions through which it passes and that it will furnish new markets for Japanese and Chinese products. In this respect, the line deserves the best attention of the Japanese nation. But its military value is comparatively small when we remember that the gauge is narrow and the line single; that many rivers and passages interrupt the continuity of the line, and that these rivers are frozen during several months of the year. Thus to entertain serious apprehensions, from a military point of view, about the consequences of the completion of the road, would be, we are told, to entirely misunderstand its true conditions. Lastly, as to the colonization of Saghalien, our contemporary attaches no weight to it. Quite an excitement seems to have been caused in certain quarters by the report of the establishment of convict stations on that island in the course of the past year. Saghalien is extremely poor in soil and has no natural products except coal of doubtful character. Nor does it contain any harbour that can be used as a naval station. The colonization of such an island need not, says the *Nippon-jin*, attract the attention of the Japanese in any extraordinary manner. Our contemporary ends its essay by a strong appeal to the nation to cast aside the absurd notions at present entertained as to the power of Russia in Asia.—*Japan Mail.*

In Yünnan province heavy rain falling constantly has destroyed the produce of hundreds of acres of fields and inundated many villages. The local officials are doing their best to succour the starving and homeless people. H.E. Tan, Governor of the province, has sent several thousand taels to the famine districts, and the calamity will be reported to the Throne.

A placard of a most inciting character was posted all over the city on Tuesday last, says the *Foochow Echo*, against Christianity and the wording was of the lowest character. We understand the Consuls in a body represented the matter to the Viceroy in person. No doubt a lot of promises will be made, but we fear nothing will be done. Such rascality will not only incite the people to do mischief, but it opens a door for the vagabonds that abound in this country, who will only be too glad to raise trouble, for the sake of plunder. Let us hope that the authorities will take the necessary steps, and have the authors severely punished, and prevent any repitition of the occurrence.

The *N.-C. Daily News* says:—On Wednesday afternoon 24th inst. the tugs *Fuhlee* and *Fairy* succeeded in towing off the *Forest King* which had been ashore on the Middle ground below the Kiutoan light-vessel. Both tugs were towing ahead, the *Fuhlee* being on the starboard quarter of the *Fairy*, and they had proceeded about three miles, when the *Fuhlee* crashed into the starboard side of the *Fairy* abaft of the engine-room, cutting through her guard, piercing the hull, and damaging her so badly that she sank in seven minutes in 21 feet of water at low tides. The *Fuhlee* had her stem broken and the plates on both sides of it stove in. The *Fuhlee* having rescued the crew of the *Fairy* returned to Shanghai for repairs. It is anticipated that the *Fairy* can be raised.

Telegraphic news received in Tokyo on the 18th instant announced that Mr Maurice William Guest de Bunsen has been appointed to the post of First Secretary of Her Britannic Majesty's Legation in Tokyo, *vice* the Honble. W. G. Napier, who has apparently been superseded. The Honble. Mr Napier's departure was somewhat sudden, and though the public understood at the time that circumstances had occurred which rendered his return to Japan improbable, some surprise will doubtless be caused by the intelligence that a successor has been so speedily appointed. Mr Napier's term of service in Japan had not expired, and in the ordinary course of events he would have been granted leave of absence if his visit to England had been connected with private affairs. The immediate nomination of a First Secretary to take his place would therefore indicate that the Foreign Office has acted in obedience to special considerations. Mr de Bunsen has been thirteen years in the diplomatic service.—*Japan Mail.*

THE JUBILEE OF THE COLONY.

APPROVAL OF A PROGRAMME.

A public meeting was held at the City Hall this afternoon for the purpose of receiving the proposals of the Committee in reference to the celebration of the Jubilee of the Colony. There was not a large attendance.

Sir James Russell, Chief Justice, who presided, said—Gentlemen, this meeting has been convened for the purpose of receiving the proposals of the Committee in reference to the celebration of the Jubilee of this Colony. If you remember, when the first public meeting was held a large committee was nominated and powers were given to it to add to its number and powers to draw up and submit its proposals to a further public meeting as to the manner in which the Jubilee should be celebrated. The large Committee, which had increased its size very much by adding new members, has had several meetings for the purpose of considering what they should recommend to you as a scheme for commemorating the Jubilee. Several schemes were submitted to the Committee but no definite plan has been settled upon. The permanent memorial, what the nature of it is to be, has been postponed for further consideration until 3rd January, but it became necessary to draw up some programme for the temporary rejoicings, and a sub-committee was delegated at last meeting to draw up a scheme based upon a plan which the Hon. Mr Keswick had submitted to the Committee meeting. The sub-committee consisted of the Hon. J. J. Keswick, the Hon. C. P. Chater, Mr R. K. Leigh, Mr H. W. Dick, the Hon. Ho Kai, Lieut.-Colonel Jerrard, Lieut. Anson, R.N., and the Chairman (Sir James Russell) and Hon. Secretary (the Hon. H. E. Wodehouse, C.M.G.) as ex-officio members. This sub-committee had one or two meetings, and they have drawn up a certain scheme for three days' rejoicings, which I shall ask Mr Wodehouse now to submit to this meeting. It is for you to say whether you approve of that scheme or not.

Hon. H. E. Wodehouse then read the following proposed programme:—

Jan. 20—Public Ball at the City Hall. Subscription $5. Ladies to be invited by the Invitation Committee.

Jan. 21.—Meeting of the Executive and Legislative Councils, at 9.30 a.m. for the purpose of despatching a telegraphic message to the Queen and the Secretary of State.

9.45 a.m.—A special service in St. John's Cathedral; the dignitaries and ministers of denominations other than the Church of England to be invited to hold similar services at their several places of worship.

Twelve o'clock noon.—Salute of fifty guns from the men-of-war and the shore battery. The Volunteers to be also invited to salute.

Jan. 22.—Public Holiday commencing at 11.30 a.m.

Review of the Naval and Land Forces in the Happy Valley at 3 p.m., His Excellency the Governor attending in state.

Jan. 23.—Athletic Sports on the Race Course, to be under the immediate superintendence and organisation of Mr R. K. Leigh, who has kindly undertaken this duty; the sports to be under the rules of the London Athletic Association, and the prizes to be obtained by subscriptions from the community, and if possible to consist of gold, silver and bronze medals to be struck for the occasion.

In the evening, dress rehearsal of the 'Gondoliers,' unless previously held on 22nd Jan. Soldiers, Sailors and members of the Police Force to be invited to the dress rehearsal.

Jan. 24—Pony Races under the auspices of the Jockey Club, and Polo Matches under the auspices of the Polo Club, to take place in the afternoon.

In the evening, performance of 'Gondoliers'.

The three days, Jan. 22, 23 and 24, to be public holidays, commencing each day at 11.30 a.m.

It is estimated that to carry out the programme, including prizes for the Sports, expenses in connection with the Ball (a portion of which will be paid for by the subscriptions paid for the Ball) and the Pony Races, a sum of five thousand dollars will be required, and subscriptions to raise this sum will be invited from the community.

His Excellency the Governor has expressed his concurrence in the foregoing programme and has been pleased to say that he will be happy to co operate in every possible way.

His Excellency has also announced his intention of giving a Ball at Government House, the date of which it is impossible to fix at present.

Mr Wodehouse went on to say—That is the programme, Sir, which the sub-committee have drawn up. With regard to the Ball, I was requested to ascertain if Mr Stewart Lockhart would undertake the chief management and organisation, and he has kindly consented to do so, with the assistance of several gentlemen who, he hopes, will be able to join the various committees connected with its organisation.

The Chairman—Now, gentlemen, it is for this public meeting to say whether it approves of the scheme drawn up by the sub-committee.

A show of hands was then taken, when a large majority of those present voted in favour of the scheme, while none voted against it.

The scheme was therefore declared approved.

The Chairman—The sub-committee will carry out this scheme and proceed to ask you for subscriptions towards defraying expenses. That is all that is before the meeting. The Committee has no powers unless to make suggestions, and this is one of them. The meeting now stands adjourned *sine die*.

The following is a complete list of the General Committee, including the additions made since last public meeting:—

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THE BURNING OF THE *SHANGHAI.*

APPALLING LOSS OF LIFE.

The *N.-C. Daily News*, of Saturday last, says:—We issued the following as an Extra yesterday morning:—

'News was received last night by wire from Chinkiang that the China Navigation Co.'s steamer *Shanghai* has been totally destroyed by fire. She left this on Wednesday for Hankow.

Since then the *Taiwo* has arrived with the second officer, third engineer and 30 Chinese passengers of the *Shanghai*, and we are able to give particulars of one of the most appalling shipping catastrophes that have ever happened in Chinese waters.

The *Shanghai* left Shanghai on Wednesday at 8 a.m. and reached Chinkiang either late the same night or early on Thursday morning, the 25th. She left Chinkiang at 4 a.m. with over 400 Chinese and one foreign passenger, Mr Kniffler, on board. At about 7 a.m., when the steamer was six miles below Mud Fort, smoke was discovered coming out of the afterhold in which was stowed, among other cargo a lot of cotton. The second mate, Mr Nicholson, immediately got the fire pumps to work, and Captain Martin was informed of what had happened. Meanwhile the hose was played on the main hold hatch, but all of a sudden the hatches gave way, being burnt through, probably, and an immense volume of dense black smoke shot up out of the hatchway, which made it impossible for the second officer to remain there any longer. He then started to go forward, but found the Chinese a panic-stricken seething mass of humanity struggling vainly to get to a place of safety. He could not get through them, so crawled along outside the ship and so got to his destination. As soon as Captain Martin saw there was no means of getting the fire under, a fact that became apparent very shortly after the alarm was given, he headed the steamer for the bank of the river and ran her so violently ashore, that her bow was right up the bank. Under ordinary circumstances, this would have given greater facilities for escape, but the ship was in flames from stem to stern in less than fifteen minutes from the time of the alarm being given, and the Chinese were in such a confused mass in the alleyways ... Many ... they could not get forward and were drowned, while others were burnt to death. The foreigners were able to get ashore, Captain Martin and one of the pilots being the last to leave the vessel. Mr Kniffler waded ashore, and when he landed, he was attacked by the villagers who attempted to strip him of his clothing. The Chinese passengers who succeeded in reaching the shore were similarly attacked and were stripped of their clothing. A Chinese mandarin gunboat and a steam launch which were near at hand never made any attempt to save any, with but their crews contented themselves with picking up things that floated from the burning steamer.

The number of lives lost will never be accurately known, but of the number who were on board at Chinkiang only some sixty-five have been accounted for, but some of the passengers, when they got clear of the vessel, hurried from the scene as quickly as possible, apparently afraid of being robbed or ill-treated by the villagers. A foreigner, however, counted seventy-five dead bodies off the bank of the river, and ... recover sixteen more. He saw a dozen were burnt, so that the ... Many, of course, is probably between two ... number of dead.

... and three ... the first steamer to reach ... The Taiwo calamity. She left Wuhu ... the scene and arrived off the *Shanghai* in the same day, and anchored close at 2 quarter of an hour later. By this time the *Shanghai* was completely gutted. ... proceeding she took on board some passengers. ... *Neuchwang*, bound up, arrived just ... the *Taiwo* left for Shanghai, and anchored by the wreck.

As a coincidence it may be mentioned that the steamer *Bombay* was burnt at Woosung on 25th December, 1880.

The *Shanghai* was an iron paddle steamer of 3,088 tons and 300 horse power. She was built in 1873, and had an iron main deck, while all the upper works and houses were built of wood.

SUPREME COURT.

IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

(*Before Sir James Russell, Chief Justice.*)

Tuesday, Dec. 30.

KWOK LOK v. THE ATTORNEY GENERAL.

This was an action for damages for the detention by the Government of the steamer *Pasig* for a survey. By consent of parties certain issues were tried. Mr Robinson, instructed by Messrs Caldwell and Wilkinson, appeared for the plaintiff, and the Attorney General appeared in person. Judgment was given on the issues.

His Lordship said this matter came before the Court in the shape of a petition of right to claim for damages, by one Kwok Lok against the Attorney General for having unlawfully detained the steamer *Pasig*, under the Merchant Shipping Ordinance, 1879 on a charge of being unseaworthy. The ship was detained by order of the Governor on 27th November, 1889, for an investigation into her seaworthiness, and the plaintiff claimed that there was no ground for having her detained and said he suffered loss and damage in consequence. Certain questions of law were raised by the plaintiff in the belief that a settlement of them in his favour would put an end to the case and save a great deal of trouble in getting up certain evidence which it would be otherwise necessary to obtain. The issues raised were—1st, whether the judgment of the Court of Survey which sat on the *Pasig* by order of the Government was conclusive as against the defendant to determine the question as to the fitness of the steamer; 2nd, to determine the absence of any reasonable or probable cause for the detention, by reason of the condition of the steamer; 3rd, to determine the question of liability of the Governor for loss and damage by reason of the detention. His Lordship was of opinion that the question as to whether there was reasonable or probable cause for the detention of the steamer was one for a jury, and the judgment of the Court of Survey did not stop the defendant from having the matter tried before a jury. The Court of Survey found that there was no reasonable or probable cause for the detention, and there was a strong presumption that a jury would come to the same conclusion. However, it was certainly a matter for a jury, and on the issues before the Court at present his Lordship must find for the defendant.

Judgment was therefore given for the defendant, with costs.

TELEGRAMS BY THE AMERICAN MAIL.

DISASTERS TO SHIPPING ON THE BRITISH COAST.

London, November 21.—Heavy gales are prevailing in the south and west of England and many vessels are seeking shelter. The Danish schooner *Regina* has been sunk in collision with the steamer *Primate*. Five of the schooner's crew were drowned. The steamer put into Copenhagen.

The steamer *Uppingham* is ashore at Hartland. Twenty-one persons were rescued from the steamer. The first officer was lost. A boat containing five of the crew is missing.

The British steamer *Calypso*, from Mediterranean ports, foundered off Sandgate, after being in a collision. The crew of the *Calypso* has arrived at Folkestone. The collision occurred last night. The other vessel was a Spanish steamer. It is supposed she also foundered.

The recent heavy rains and overflow of the rivers have flooded long stretches of the Manchester ship canal, doing great damage. Forty-five hundred navvies are idle in consequence.

IMPORTANT STATEMENTS MADE BY LORD SALISBURY.

London, November 25.—In the House of Lords to-night Premier Salisbury, in an address, said he would not say that England's trade with Africa and the colonies would immediately compensate her for the loss caused by the new American tariff, but it would be a motive for preventing her territories in Africa from falling into the hands of nations exercising a prohibition of trade.

Replying to queries, he said he could not discuss the recent financial crisis, as the negotiations in progress were of a confidential character. Regarding the troubles in Tipperary, he said that the league combination there aimed to defraud, oppress and coerce honest traders. The task of restoring prosperity to Ireland would be hopeless unless such combinations were destroyed. The Government was firmly pursuing the object of increasing the number of persons interested in land in Ireland, thus creating a moral and political force which would frustrate the efforts of political agitations.

A NIHILISTIC ASSASSIN.

London, November 24.—Padlewski, the supposed assassin of General Silverskoff in Paris, has been traced to Ostend, whence he took the steamer for Dover on Thursday. British and French detectives are on his track.

Paris, November 24.—A meeting of anarchists was held here yesterday to discuss the arrests of nihilists recently made in this city. Padlewski, the Russian Pole suspected of the murder of General Silverskoff, was appointed honorary president. Violent speeches were made and a resolution was adopted declaring that in the event of a failure to effect a social reform there would be a revolution.

THE TRIPLE ALLIANCE.

Berlin, November 22.—A crisis in the Eastern question has been sprung upon the triple alliance by the King of Greece ... a project ... a rising in Crete simultaneously and openly with risings in Epirus and ... Chancellor von Caprivi and Count Kalnoky sent a joint note to Athens warning the Government that in the event of measures being taken tending toward war with Turkey the Dreibund's squadron would blockade the coasts of Greece and leave the Hellenic army to take isolated action on land against the Turks. The decisive character of this note stopped a blaze of war which might have extended over Europe.

AN AFFLICTED EMPEROR.

London, November 24.—The Emperor of Austria is represented as deeply cast down by the probable fate of his relative, Archduke John, which is the third calamity during his reign in the Hapsburg family, his brother, Maximilian, having been shot in Mexico, and his son and heir, Rudolph, having committed suicide. The Emperor went to-day to pray on the spot where Prince Rudolph died.

DISASTROUS FLOODS.

Berlin, November 25.—Dispatches from Elberfeld say that the Wupper river has risen and five persons have been drowned. Great damage has been done in the vicinity of Barmen. At Bastock and other points the timber yards and many streets are submerged.

Carlsbad, November 25.—Yesterday's flood was caused by the bursting of a dam about Topl pond. A volume of water ten feet deep poured through the streets. The gas and water works were completely ruined. Several corpses were found in the country, but there was no loss of life in Carlsbad proper.

At Kahla ten houses were blown down and seventeen persons drowned. Similar disasters and floods are reported from elsewhere.

EMPEROR WILLIAM SPEAKS.

Berlin, November 25.—The Emperor William, in the course of a conversation after a parliamentary dinner given by Caprivi, condemned all dogmatic discussion and animadverted upon the futility of social democratic congresses. His Majesty made a number of pointed remarks respecting politicians who do nothing but criticise. He is assumed to have alluded to a prominent critic of measures introduced by the Government.

A WAR ON NIHILISTS.

Paris, November 25.—Numerous warrants have been issued for the simultaneous search of the houses of Russian refugees. The report is current that the authorities are preparing for the general expulsion of militant nihilists.

SOCIALISTS DISPERSED.

Berlin, November 25.—A street demonstration of socialists was held at Bochum to-day. The police were called upon to disperse the crowds, and in the melee several persons were injured. The police captured a red flag.

HOW THE CZAR RULES HIS SUBJECTS.

St. Petersburg, Nov. 22.—Advices from Moscow and Warsaw concur with reports in this city that simultaneous movements are being made in all the great centres of Russian rule toward intensifying the official despotism which characterizes the administration of this barbaric country. The police, under direct orders from St. Petersburg, have revived corporeal punishment upon a larger scale than has ever been ventured on since the Czar Nicholas. Polish women are being flogged for making secret preparations for emigration to Brazil, and a Roman Catholic priest at Warsaw was given sixty lashes for holding an open air service for his parishioners after the police had closed his church.

Wholesale arbitrary transportation to Siberia is going on everywhere without even the pretense of trials, and the most relentless persecution of the people by the police that has taken place in a long time is going on everywhere. An edict of the Ecclesiastical Board proposes, as the speediest means of suppressing Roman Catholic activity in making converts from the Greek church, to concentrate all the monks in the empire in two houses and all the nuns in one, and to confiscate the convents for the use of the Ministry of War.

ANTI-JEWISH EDICTS.

St. Petersburg, Nov. 24.—The Government has forbidden the newspapers to publish a petition drawn up by the Jews asking that they be placed on civil equality with other classes in Russia. Orders have been given that no Government work shall be given to the Jews outside of the territorial limits assigned to them.

FATAL FLOODS IN AUSTRIA-HUNGARY.

Carlsbad, Nov. 24.—The Topl river has overflowed its banks. Great damage is being done. At Tschauch a mine was flooded and twenty men perished. For the last three days a hurricane has been reported throughout Austria, with avalanches and floods in the mountain regions.

VERY TALL AND VERY RICH.

Paris, November 26.—Among the visitors of Madame Carnot at the Elysee Palace during the last week have been the Crown Prince and Crown Princess of Denmark. The latter is famous for being the tallest and wealthiest princess in Europe. Her stature is absolutely gigantic, being over six feet two, and so far as her fortune is concerned she inherited $15,000,000 from her maternal grandfather, Prince Frederick of the Netherlands, besides the entire wealth of her father, the late King Charles of Sweden.

She is extremely fond of Paris, a fact which is perhaps attributable to the existence of French blood in her veins, her father's father having been the famous French General Barnadotte, who was adopted as heir to the Swedish throne by the childless King Charles XIII in 1802.

THE NICARAGUA CANAL.

New York, November 26.—The *Post's* Nicaragua correspondence of November 10th says: Harbor improvement work is progressing rapidly. Five of the large Slavin dredges have arrived. A fifteen-foot channel has been made from the end of the railway wharf to the bar at the entrance of the lagoon, and the dredge is now engaged in extending this channel along the side of the breakwater to meet that depth of water outside. Large quantities of stores and materials have been accumulated. The health of the workmen is remarkably good. The whole enterprise gives evidence of the most careful foresight and supervision.

THE GERMAN BUDGET.

Berlin, November 26.—The German budget for the coming fiscal year makes the revenue and expenditures balance at 1,130,645,688 marks. The expenditures are divided as follows: Permanent expenditures, 941,135,[illegible]07 marks; non-recurring ordinary, 90,720,[illegible]; non-recurring extraordinary, 98,[illegible],369. For the army 25,754,707 marks more is required than in 1890, the greater portion being needed for the execution of the military law regarding an increase of its effective strength. For the navy three iron-clads, one cruiser, one dispatch boat and eight torpedo boats are to be constructed in 1891.

A CHIEF MARCHING AGAINST THE MAHDI—CANNIBALISM.

London, November 26.—A dispatch from Suakin says that Chief Senoussi is marching against the Mahdi with a large and well-armed force and that the Mahdi, owing to numerous desertions, is in no condition to meet the enemy.

In Khartoum and vicinity all food has been seized for the support of the Mahdi's followers, and the inhabitants are perishing ... An Arab living ... is said to have killed one of his slaves, the ... ing without food, and lived with his household for several days on the body.

FRANCE'S DEBT THE LARGEST OF ANY NATION IN THE WORLD.

Paris, Nov. 27.—Pelletin presented before the Budget Committee a report on the financial situation of France, showing the estimated debt of the country to be 30,800,813,591 francs nominal capital and 22,824,043,609 francs actual capital. The nominal rate of interest is 3.48 per cent and the actual rate 4.62 per cent.

'This,' continues the report, 'is the largest public debt in the world, but the French credit is sufficiently solid to allow French stock to be reckoned as 3 per cents.'

The weekly statement of the Bank of France shows an increase in gold of 275,000 francs and a decrease in silver of 1,350,000 francs.

A BIG STORM IN EUROPE.

London, November 27.—Severe frost and heavy snow prevail throughout Europe. In Paris the snow is several inches deep. Many railroad lines in Austria and Southern Russia have partially suspended operations because of snow blockades. There is a heavy snowstorm in the English channel, and a large steamer is ashore at Folkestone.

Carlsbad, November 22.—Damage by floods is enormous. Hundreds of sheepkeepers are ruined. Hundreds of thousands of dollars will be required for public repairs alone. A terrific storm is raging on the Black Sea.

A FRENCH BANK FAILS.

Paris, November 27.—The Commercial Tribunal has ordered the Banque d'Etat to go into liquidation. Deputy Raynaud, managing director, has absconded, and it is reported to have committed suicide. He is reported to have gambled heavily in stocks and offered 20 per cent interest.

FORCING CONVERSIONS.

St Petersburg, November 27.—A ukase has been issued ordering that no Hebrew shall henceforth be permitted to enter the Greek Church unless his wife, children, brothers and parents do the same. The object is to put a stop to the practice by the Hebrews of sacrificing one member of their family to the Russian Church, thus securing a right to earn a livelihood for all. According to the new edict, unless all the family become Christians they may starve together. As might be expected, the conversions to Christianity are now frequent. The Hebrews are, however, prevented from joining either the Roman Catholic or Protestant communions.

THE BELGIAN FRANCHISE.

Brussels, November 27.—Janson, a Radical member, to-day introduced a bill providing for the extension of the franchise. This action was a complete surprise. The Radicals are greatly elated, and workmen, who intended to inaugurate a general strike as a part of the universal suffrage movement, decided to remain at work. The streets to-night are thronged with people and the rejoicing is general. Its discussion is favored by the Government.

A CHINESE DIVORCED.

New Haven, November 21.—William L. Bennett, a commissioner of the Superior Court appointed to hear the evidence in the suit brought by Mrs Elizabeth M. Lee for absolute divorce from her husband, Yan Phon Lee, made his report to Judge Fenn this morning.

The suit was brought on the ground of adultery committed by Lee in San Francisco and Portland, Or., in 1889. This the commissioner found true and recommended that a divorce be granted. Judge Fenn rendered a decision to that effect.

Neither of the parties to the suit appeared in court. Mrs. Lee, however, through her counsel asked that she might assume her maiden name and have the custody of the two minor children, one 2 years old and the other about a year old. Both of these requests were granted, and Mrs. Lee will in the future be known as Miss Elizabeth M. Jerome.

The marriage of Miss Jerome and Yan Phon Lee occured soon after the latter's graduation from Yale University, in the summer of 1887, and created a sensation in society here, where Miss Jerome had been an acknowledged leader.

He who sips of many arts, drinks of none.

Conviction, were it never so excellent, is worthless till it convert itself into conduct.—*Carlyle.*

Prison Missionary—My poor fellow, what are you in here for? Prisoner—For not havin' enough political influence to git me out.—*Life.*

'Pretty near' does not count. The sunbeam that travels 95,000,000 miles may be stopped seven feet from earth by a cheap umbrella.—*Puck.*

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Hongkong, December 30.

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3 p.m. " 7.30 p.m. " " "
9 p.m., 10 p.m., 10.30 p.m., 11 p.m.

Special CARS may be obtained on application to the SUPERINTENDENT.

Single Tickets are sold in the Cars; Five-Cent Coupons and REDUCED TICKETS at the Office.

MACEWEN, FRICKEL & Co., *General Managers.*

Hongkong, October 14, 1890. 799

Mails.

U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING AT YOKOHAMA AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship *CITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO* will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, *viâ* YOKOHAMA, on FRIDAY, the 2nd January, at 4 p.m., taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, *viâ* Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.

First-class Fares granted as follows:—
To San Francisco ... ...$225.00)
To San Francisco and return, available for 6 months ... } 393.75
To Liverpool 325.00
To London ... ... 332.00)

To other European points at proportionate rates. Special reduced rates granted to Officers of the Army, Navy, Civil Service and the Imperial Chinese Customs, to be obtained on application.

Passengers by this Line have the option of proceeding Overland by the Southern Pacific and connecting Lines, Central Pacific, Northern Pacific or Canadian Pacific Railways.

Passengers, who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or *vice versa*) within one year will be allowed a discount of 10 %. *This allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.*

Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m., same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Offices in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 50A, Queen's Road Central.

O. D. HARMAN, *Agent.*

Hongkong, December 26, 1890. 2100

Occidental & Oriental Steam-Ship Company.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE, *VIA* THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND ATLANTIC & OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

THE Steamship *GAELIC* will be despatched for San Francisco, *viâ* Yokohama, on SATURDAY, connection being made at Yokohama, with Steamers from Shanghai and Japan Ports.

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O. D. HARMAN, *Agent.*

Hongkong, December 19, 1890. 2138

Mails.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS, ALEXANDRIA, MARSEILLES, AND PORTS OF BRAZIL, AND LA PLATA;

ALSO

LONDON, HAVRE AND BORDEAUX.

ON THURSDAY, the 1st January, 1891, at Noon, the Company's S.S. *DJEMNAH*, Commandant BONNEFOY, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m. Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 31st December, 1890. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.)

Contents and value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, *Agent.*

Hongkong, December 18, 1890. 2182

CANADIAN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP AND RAILWAY COMPANIES.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, 1890.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

PARTHIA.....THURSDAY, 8th Jan.
BATAVIA.....MONDAY, 5th Feb.

THE Steamship *PARTHIA*, Captain PANTON, R.N.R., sailing at Noon, on THURSDAY, the 8th January, will proceed to VANCOUVER, *viâ* INLAND SEA, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.

RATES OF PASSAGE.

FROM HONGKONG FIRST CLASS.

To Vancouver and Victoria $210.00
To Port Townsend, Seattle, Tacoma $213.00
To Portland, Oregon $220.00
To Winnipeg, Minneapolis, St. Paul $260.00
To Chicago, Kansas City, Milwaukee $275.00
To St. Louis, Detroit, Cincinnati...$280.00
To Hamilton, Kingston, London, (Ont.), Ottawa, Toronto, Montreal, New York, Albany, Buffalo, Niagara Falls, Baltimore, Philadelphia and Washington. } $290.00
To Quebec, Boston, Portland (Maine) $295.00
To Halifax, St. Johns.....$305.00
To Liverpool.....$325.00
To London *viâ* Liverpool $330.00
To Paris and Bremen $345.00
To Havre and Hamburg.....$335.00

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of steamers.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials.

Return Tickets.—First and second class only.—Prepaid return tickets to Pacific Coast Points, and to Eastern and Interior Points of Canada and U.S.A. will be granted, available for:—

6 months at 25 per cent. off Return Fare
3 " " 50 per cent. " " "

(Time is reckoned from the date of landing to date of re-embarkation at Vancouver)

Passengers to Pacific Coast Points and to Interior and Eastern Points of Canada and U.S.A. not holding prepaid return tickets but who reembark within 12 months from date of landing at Vancouver will be allowed 10 per cent. off the return fare.

Prepaid return tickets to European Points will be issued available for 12 months at double fares (Mexican Dollars)

CARGO.—Through Bills of Lading issued to Japan, Pacific Coast Points, and to Canadian and United States Points.

CONSULAR INVOICES of Goods for United States Points should be in quadruplicate; and one copy must be sent forward by the steamer to the care of D. E. BROWN, Assistant General Freight and Passenger Agent, Canadian Pacific Railway Company, Vancouver, B.C.

PARCELS must be sent to our office with address marked in full by 5 p.m. on the day previous to sailing.

For Further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to

ADAMSON, BELL & Co., *Agents.*

Hongkong, December 29, 1890. 2215

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NOTICE.

STEAMER FOR BREMEN, VIA PORT SAID, SUEZ, PORT SAID, BRINDISI, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN & HAMBURG, PORTS IN THE LEVANTE, BLACK SEA & BALTIC PORTS;

ALSO,

LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON & SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.

N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills of Lading for the principal places in RUSSIA.

ON SUNDAY, the 18th day of January, 1891, at 11 a.m., the Company's S.S. *PREUSSEN*, Captain REIMKARTEN, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE and CARGO, will leave this port as above, *calling at* GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted on board Noon, Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 17th January. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the AGENCY'S Office). Contents and Value of Packages are required.

The Steamer has splendid Accommodation and carries a Doctor and Stewardess.

For further Particulars, apply to

MELCHERS & Co., *Agents.*

Hongkong, December 22, 1890. 2211

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eleven Sections, commencing at Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked *h.*, near the Kowloong shore *k.*, and those in the body of the Shipping or midway between each shore are marked *c.*, in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

Section.
1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
2. From Gas Works to Jardine's Wharf.
3. From Jardine's Wharf to the Harbour Master's Office.
4. From Harbour Master's to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.
5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Pedder's Wharf.
6. From Pedder's Wharf to the Naval Yard.
7. From Naval Yard to Blue Buildings.
8. From Blue Buildings to East Point.
9. From Kellett's Island to North Point.
10. Kowloon Wharves.
11. Jardine's Wharf.

Vessel's Name.	Sect'n of Anch.	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
Steamers.								
Actor	3 h	Hygom	Dan. str.	355	Dec. 29	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Airlie	5 c	Ellis	Brit. str.	1492	Dec. 25	Russell & Co.	Sydney, &c.	2nd prox.
Alwine	3 h	Bendixen	Ger. str.	400	Dec. 24	Wieler & Co.	Hoihow, &c.	To-morrow
Anchises	5 c	Papage	Brit. str.	1278	Dec. 28	Butterfield & Swire	Shanghai	To-day
Bormida	2 h	Gavazzo	Brit. str.	1499	Dec. 24	P. & O. S. N. Co.		
Changsha	5 c	Williams	Brit. str.	1346	Dec. 18	Butterfield & Swire	Sydney, &c.	To-morrow
Cheang Huck Kian		Greenfell	Brit. str.	956	Aug. 20	Bun Hin Chan		K'loon Dock
Choysang	3 c	Sawer	Brit. str.	896	Dec. 29	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Swatow	To-day
City of Rio de Janeiro	5 c	Ward	Amer. str.	3548	Dec. 30	P. M. S. S. Co.	San Francisco	2nd prox.
Dovawongae	3 c	Loff	Brit. str.	157	Dec. 23	Yuen Fat Hong		
Diamante	5 c	Tayler	Brit. str.	514	Dec. 27	Russell & Co.	Amoy & Manila	To-morrow
Djemnah	5 c	Bonnefoy	Fch. str.	1964	Dec. 30	Messageries Maritimes	Europe, &c.	1st prox.
Fidelio	3 c	Brorsen	Ger. str.	852	Dec. 16	Melchers & Co.		
Fokien	5 h	Davis	Brit. str.	509	Dec. 29	Douglas Steamship Co.	Coast Ports	To-morrow
Glengyle	5 c	Gæson	Brit. str.	2244	Dec. 30	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Japan	5 c	Hansen	Brit. str.	1865	Dec. 27	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Calcutta	To-morrow
Kriemhild	5 c	Ehlers	Ger. str.	1720	Dec. 30	Siemssen & Co.	Yokohama	
Kumamoto Maru	8 h	Pender	Japan. str.	1240	Dec. 7	Geo. R. Stevens & Co.		
Kwong Sang	3 c	Sellar	Brit. str.	1000	Dec. 30	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Lochiel	5 c	Cowan	Brit. str.	1374	Dec. 29	Order		
Lord Bangor	7 h	Magill	Brit. str.	1911	Nov. 3	Order		
Lyeemoon	3 h	Heuermann	Ger. str.	1238	Dec. 29	Siemssen & Co.	Shanghai	To-morrow
Meefoo	3 h	Lunt	Chi. str.	1284	Dec. 30	C. M. S. N. Co.		
Miike Maru	8 c	Summers	Japan. str.	2080	Dec. 24	Geo. R. Stevens & Co.		
Megul	5 k	Johnson	Brit. str.	1827	Dec. 11	Adamson, Bell & Co.	Swatow, &c.	To-morrow
Nanshan	3 h	Blackburn	Ger. str.	339	Dec. 27	Hop Hing Hong		
Pakshan	3 h	Jenkins	Brit. str.	517	Dec. 29	Hop Hing Hong	Shanghai	To-morrow
Palinurus	5 c	Jackson	Brit. str.	1536	Dec. 28	Butterfield & Swire	Vancouver, &c.	8th prox.
Parthia	5 c	Panton	Brit. str.	2035	Dec. 19	Adamson, Bell & Co.		
Pembrokeshire	5 h	Dancaster	Brit. str.	1717	Nov. 18	Adamson, Bell & Co.		
Pilot Fish	4	Soriani	Brit. tug.	161	.....	H. K. & W. Dock Co.	Sydney, &c.	To-morrow
Sikh	5 k	Rowley	Brit. str.	1735	Dec. 28	Gibb, Livingston & Co.		
Sishan	3 c	Stovell	Brit. str.	865	Dec. 29	Chinese		
Taichiow	5 h	Hunter	Brit. str.	819	Dec. 3	Douglas Steamship Co.	Swatow	
Thales	5 c	Wong Ling Sing	Chi. str.	350	Dec. 11	Chinese		
Thuan An	5 h	Allison	Brit. str.	2460	Dec. 30	Butterfield & Swire	Sydney	To-morrow
Tsinan	2 h	Creery	Brit. str.	1619	Dec. 26	P. & O. S. N. Co	Singapore	3rd prox.
Venetia								
Sailing Vessels.								
Altair	8 h	Munro	Brit. bqe.	399	Dec. 22	Wieler & Co.		
Bittern	3 c	Strenach	Br. 3-m. sc.	393	Dec. 18	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Basuto	3 c	Petersen	Brit. bqe.	362	Dec. 10	Order		
Charon Wattana	3 c	La Cain	Siam. bqe.	650	Sept. 19	Captain		
Chas. G. Nelson	5 c	Rolander	Amer. sch.	56	Dec. 11	Melchers & Co.		
Columbus	3 h	Haesloop	Ger. bqe.	1428	Dec. 3	Adamson, Bell & Co.		
Elmhurst	8 h	Mackenzie	Brit. sh.	1712	Oct. 3	Gonsalves & Co.		
Japan	5 c	Yamla	Peru. bqe.	1952	Nov. 17	Captain		
Kambira	5 h	Brownell	Brit. sh.	280	Oct. 27	Captain		
Krertinse Nilsson	3 c	Boysen	Ger. bg.	503	Dec. 10	Master		
L. Hagen	3 c	Basch	Ger. bqe.	793	Dec. 6	Wieler & Co.		
Lothair	3 c	Evans	Brit. bqe.	536	Dec. 2	Gibb, Livingston & Co.		
Marie Berg	3 c	Hindrichs	Ger. bqe.	403	Dec. 25	Order		
Modoc	3 c	Bosch	Amer. bqe.	397	Dec. 20	Soy Cheng & Co.		
Nanaimo	3 c	Otter	Brit bqe.	245	Dec. 10	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Sara Mersados	3 k	Munistega	Peruv. bqe.	92	July 4	Master		
Santa Cruz	6 c	O'Keefe	Brit. sch.	1288	Nov 20	Wieler & Co.		
Sea Witch	8 c	Libbets	Amer. sh.	554	Oct 30	Adamson, Bell & Co.		
Ta Hongkong	3 h	Steinbring	Siam. sh.	491	Dec. 6	Chinese		
Velocity	3 c	Martin	Brit. bqe.		Nov. 25	Order		

Her Britannic Majesty's Ships on the China Station.

Name.	Rig.	Tons.	Guns.	I.H.P.	Captain.	Where at.
Alacrity	despatch-vessel	1700	4	3180	Com. Chas. H. Adair	Hongkong
Caroline	corvette	1400	14	1440	Captain Clutterbuck	Hongkong
Cordelia	cruiser 2nd class	2380	10	2450	Captain H. T. Grenfell	Manila
Egeria	surveying ship	740	—	—	Captain A. M. Fis'd	Hongkong
Esk	4th class coast defence	360	3	340		In reserve
Firebrand	gun-boat 2nd class	465	4	460	Lieut.-Com. Denison	Hongkong
Hyacinth	cruiser	1420	8	1190	Captain Robt. W. Craigie	Yokohama
Impérieuse*	screw battle ship	8400	10	10000	Captain William H. May	Hongkong
Leander	cruiser 2nd class	4300	10	5600	Captain Burges Watson	Yokohama
Linnet	gun-vessel 2nd class	756	6	1050	Commander V. A. Tisdall	Hongkong
Mercury	cruiser	3730	13	7290	Chas. J. Balfour	Hongkong
Merlin	gunboat 2nd class	430	4	430	Lieut.-Com. G. H. Yonge	Yokohama
Pigmy	gunboat	755	6	1200	Lieut. Com. Hewett	Shanghai
Plover	gunboat	755	6	1200	Captain E. G. Rason	Hongkong
Porpoise	steel torpedo cruiser	1730	6	3500	Commander R. W. White	Hongkong
Rambler	surveying vessel	830	3	600	Captain L. S. Dawson	Hongkong
Rattler	gunboat 1st class	715	6	1200	Captain J. G. Heugh	Hongkong
Redpole	gunboat	805	—	—	Captain F. Wm. Freeman	Hongkong
Severn	corvette	4050	12	600	Captain Hall	Nagasaki
Solace	torpedo mining launch	160	—	—		Hongkong
Swift	gun-vessel 2nd class	756	6	1010	Com. The Hon. Richard Bingham	On a cruise
Torpedo Boat No. 35		95	—	—		In reserve
Torpedo Boat No. 36		95	—	—		In reserve
Victor Emanuel	g-bt. 3rd class coast defence	383	3	340		In reserve
Wanderer	screw-ship	5157	14	—	Commodore E. J. Church	Hongkong
Wivern	sloop	1025	4	750	Commander Clifford	Shanghai
	coast defence ship, armoured	260	4	1450		Hongkong

* Flagship of Vice-Admiral Sir Nowell Salmon, C.B., V.C., Commander-in-Chief.

☞ H. B. M. Ships' tonnage, displacements and effective horse powers are given according to R. M. Navy list.

Foreign Men-of-war on the China and Japan Station.

Name.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Guns.	H.P.	Captain.	Where at.
Admiral Kornilloff	Russian armored cruiser	6000	18	7000	Captain Alexeyoff	Singapore
Admiral Nakhimoff	Russian armored cruiser	8000	22	9000	Captain Fedotoff	Japan
Aleout	Russian gunboat	800	—	—	Captain Parenego	Nagasaki
Alliance	U.S. gunboat	615	—	—	Captain H. C. Taylor	Yokohama
Aragon	Fch cruiser	1903	—	—	Captain A. Soler	On a cruise
Aspic	French gunboat	470	4	450	Commander Journet	Shanghai
Chasseur	Russian despatch-vessel	—	—	—	Captain Bagard	Saigon
Djiggit	Russian cruiser	1200	—	—	Commander Nikonoff	Singapore
Ibis	French gunboat	489	—	—	Captain Ascher	Shanghai
Inconstant	Russian boat	800	—	—	Capt. de Jonquières	Shanghai
Krayssor	French atte	1300	—	—	Capt. Rojestvensky	Singapore
Latta	U.S. corvette	485	4	425	Captain Néry	Touron
Marion	U.S. sloop	1900	7	1170	Commander Dyer	Kobe
Monocacy	U.S. corvette	1370	6	1470	Lieut.-Com. M. L. Johnson	Nagasaki
Omaha	U.S. gunboat	2400	12	1150	Capt. Cromwell	Yokohama
Palos	French gunboat	420	6	550	Lieut.-Com. Craig	Nagasaki
Plavier	Portuguese gunboat	540	—	420	Lieut.-Commander Lapied	Haiphong
Rio Lima	Russian cruiser	540	—	—	Captain J. F. Santa Barbara	Hongkong
Siroco	German cruiser	900	1	1000	Commander Kascheninoff	Shanghai
Sophie	corvette	2100	—	—	Captain Herbing	Singapore
Swatara	Portuguese gunboat	—	—	—	Commander John McGowan	Kobe
Tejo	French cruiser	500	3	100	Lieut.-Com. C. R. Caminha	Macao
Triomphante	French cruiser	4500	—	—	Capt. De la Noe	Yokohama
Villars	French gunboat	—	—	—	Captain Mayet	Haiphong
Vipar	Italian gunboat	—	4	425	Commander Constolla	Shanghai
Volturno	German gunboat	—	—	—	Captain Roych	Shanghai
Wolf						Yokohama
Zrinyri	Austrian corvette	—	—	—	Captain Khittel	Singapore

SHIPPING IN CHINA, JAPAN, PHILIPPINES & SIAM WATERS.

WHAMPOA.

Vessel's Name.	Flag & Rig.	Destination.
Ashington	Ger. str.	
Canton	Brit. str.	
Fooksang	Brit. str.	
John Baizley	Am. bqtin.	
Kwongsang	Brit. str.	
Lienshing	Brit. str.	
Meefoo	Chi. str.	Shanghai
Peking	Ger. str.	
Whampoa	Brit. str.	

AMOY.

In port on December 19, 1890.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

Namchow British
Taiwan British

MERCHANT SAILING VESSEL.

Emma T. Crowell Amer. bqe.
G. H. Wappana Brit. bqe.
Krerlinse Nilsson Ger. bg.
Walter Siegfried Brit. bqe

FOOCHOW.

In port on December 15, 1890.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

Haeshin Chinese
Tsinan British
Yuenwo British Shanghai

MERCHANT SAILING VESSEL.

Hedvig Brit. bqe.

SHANGHAI.

In port on December 19, 1890.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

Anshin Maru	Japanese	Nagasaki, &c.
Bellerophon	British	
Canton	British	
Cass	Chinese	
Chiyuen	Chinese	
Cyclops	British	
Djemnah	French	
El Dorado	British	
Ghazee	British	
Glenlyon	British	
Hae-an	Chinese	Hankow, &c.
Hae-chang	Chinese	Chefoo, &c.
Hiogo Maru	Japanese	
Hsinsheng	Chinese	
Kiang-yü	Chinese	
Kobe Maru	Japanese	
Kung-wo	British	
Kweiyang	British	
Lyeemoon	German	
Poochi	Chinese	
Port Fair	British	
Shanghai	British	
Singan	British	
Sinn-che	French	
Sutlej	British	
Taiwo	British	
Teviot	British	
Thames	British	
Toonan	Chinese	
Wenchi	British	
Wha-o	British	
Yiksan	British	Wenchow
Yorkshire	British	
Yuen	British	
Yungs	Chinese	

MERCHANT SAILING VESSELS.

None.

NAGASAKI.

Port on December 11, 1890.

Clapherson Brit. sh.
Ko Maru Japan. bqe.

YOKOHAMA.

In port on December 16, 1890.

Amia	Brit. bqe.	
D	Amer. sch.	
Jhus	Amer. sh.	
rton	Brit. sh.	
pmene	Brit. sh.	
nas Dana	Amer. sh.	
H. Conner	Amer. sh.	

HIOGO.

In port on December 10, 1890.

le O'Brien	Amer. sh.	
nolulu	Brit. sh.	

MANILA.

In Port on November 19, 1890.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

ompania de Filipinas	Sp. str.	discharging
Kara	Brit. str.	London
Kirklands	Brit. str.	Liverpool
Mount Hebron	Brit. str.	London
Strathdee	Brit. str.	discharging
Terra	Brit. str.	discharging

MERCHANT SAILING VESSELS.

Galatea	Brit.	bqe.	United States
J. V. Troop	Brit.	sh.	uncertain
Schiaffino Padre	Ital.	bqe.	discharging

BANGKOK.

In port on November 29, 1890.

MERCHANT SAILING VESSELS.

Auror	Brit.	bqe.	
Cape Clear	Siam.	bqe.	
Charoe Wattana	Siam.	bqe.	
Gulda	Brit.	bqe.	
Herraura	Amer.	bqe.	
Hokie	Siam.	lug.	
Siam	Siam.	bqe.	
Simeo	Norw.	bqe.	

KOH-SI-CHEONG.

In Port on November 29, 1890.

MERCHANT SAILING VESSELS.

Agosti Rombo	Ital.	bqe.	
Velocito	Italian	bqe.	

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